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The King George VI Large Key Type Revenue and Postage High Value Stamps 1937-1953 used for Postage

This exhibit shows the printings and the development of head and frame plate flaws of the high-value revenue and postage stamps issued during the reign of King George VI (KGVl) – known as the “large key plates.” The exhibit shows proofs, printings, sheets, plate reconstructions, flaws and postal usage for Bermuda, Leeward Islands and Nyasaland Protectorate where the large key plates were used for postal purposes.

The large key plate stamps were introduced in 1908 for the high value stamps of the Nyasaland Protectorate following a proposal by De La Rue and Company (DLR) for a universal colour scheme which would have the equivalent values for each colony printed in the same colours. Although this key type design persisted into the early 1950's only three colonial administrations, Bermuda, Leeward Islands and Nyasaland Protectorate, selected it for their KGVl high value postage stamps. DLR were responsible for all the printing of the KGVl large key type stamps which are exhibited here except where the printing and perforating of the Bermuda stamps in the middle of 1941 was outsourced to Williams Lea and Company due to bombing of the DLR plant.

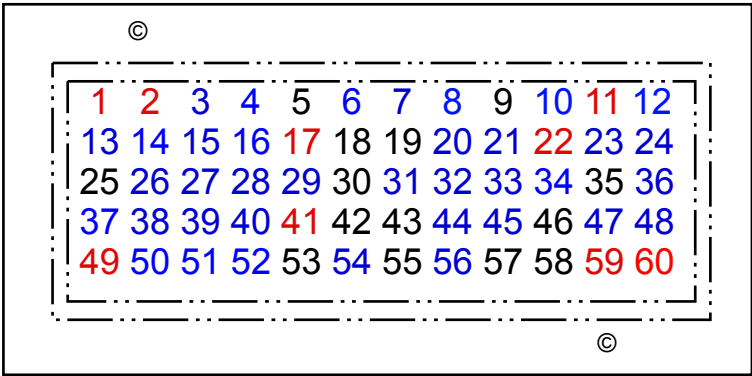
The large key plate stamps were printed in sheets of 60 stamps in five rows of 12. This 60-set was surrounded by two “jubilee lines” to help spread the pressure of the inking and printing across the plate and lessen any damage. In addition, plate numbers (“1”) were inserted above position 2 and below position 59 for all first printings including the Nyasaland 10/ reprint but does not appear on the Leeward Islands 1938 10/. Subsequent issues do not have the plate number inserted above position 2.

The sheet layout is opposite.

© represents location of plate numbers

blue numbers are positions with minor flaws

red numbers are positions with major flaws and are recognised by the Stanley Gibbons catalogue



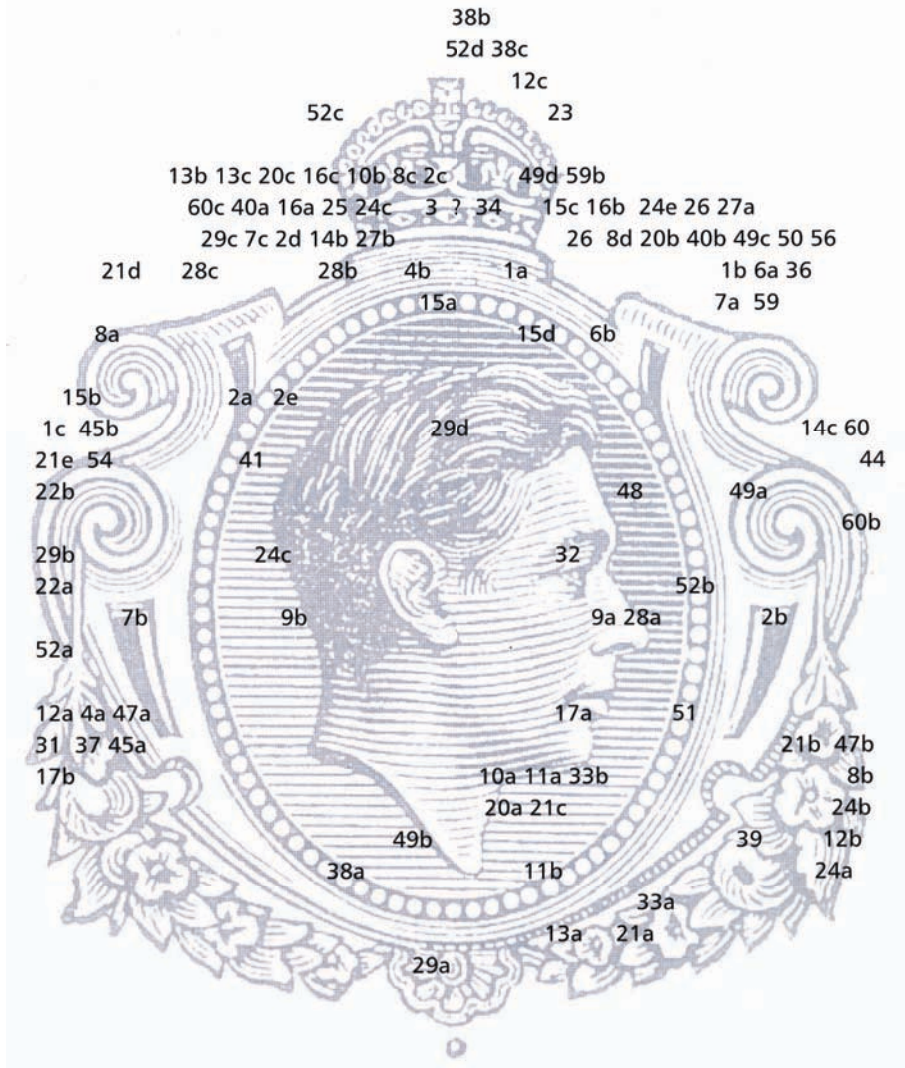
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Flaws

The 60-set key-plate design was used in 82 printings for the three colonies between 1937 and 1953. The majority of the printings were for Bermuda. Two plates were used for printing, the key plate (referred to as the head plate) and the duty plate (referred to as the frame plate). The head plate was common to all, and by the end of the King’s reign, 46 of the 60 positions had received some damage. These are the “head plate flaws” (HPF). The flaw number and approximate location on the head plate are shown in the picture opposite.

The frame plates for the majority of colonies already existed, some dating back to the King Edward VII era, thus were reused for the King George VI issues. There are a number of frame flaws (FF) also shown in this exhibit.

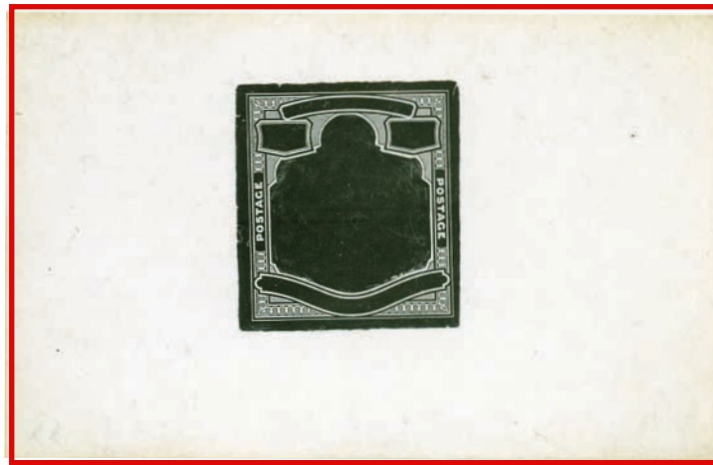


Throughout the exhibit flaws will be identified by number and pictorially where appropriate. **Text in bold** is used to show important information and **red text or a box** denotes special items.

The exhibitor recognizes the efforts of early researchers, in particular, Morris Ludington, Edwin Folk and Bob Dickgiesser Jr. Their work has culminated in the publication of Eric Yendall's book "The King George VI Large Key Type Revenue and Postage High Value Stamps 1937–1953" published by the RPSL. Some of the items shown in that book can be seen in this exhibit. Eric Yendall must also be given thanks for allowng me to use some of the nomenclature and the flaw identification pictures as per his book. In addition, David Cordon (a Bermuda collector and exhibtor) has provided me with guidance regarding this exhibit.

Die proofs of the frame before the interior portions have been removed. It is referred to as a **die proof with uncleaned surrounds**. The first proof is undated and the second proof is dated 30/08/1928. All the colonies utilized this large key plate type from this date. **This is the Master Die proof of which only these two examples exist.**

Ex-Foxley shown in Dickgiesser and Yendall on page 32

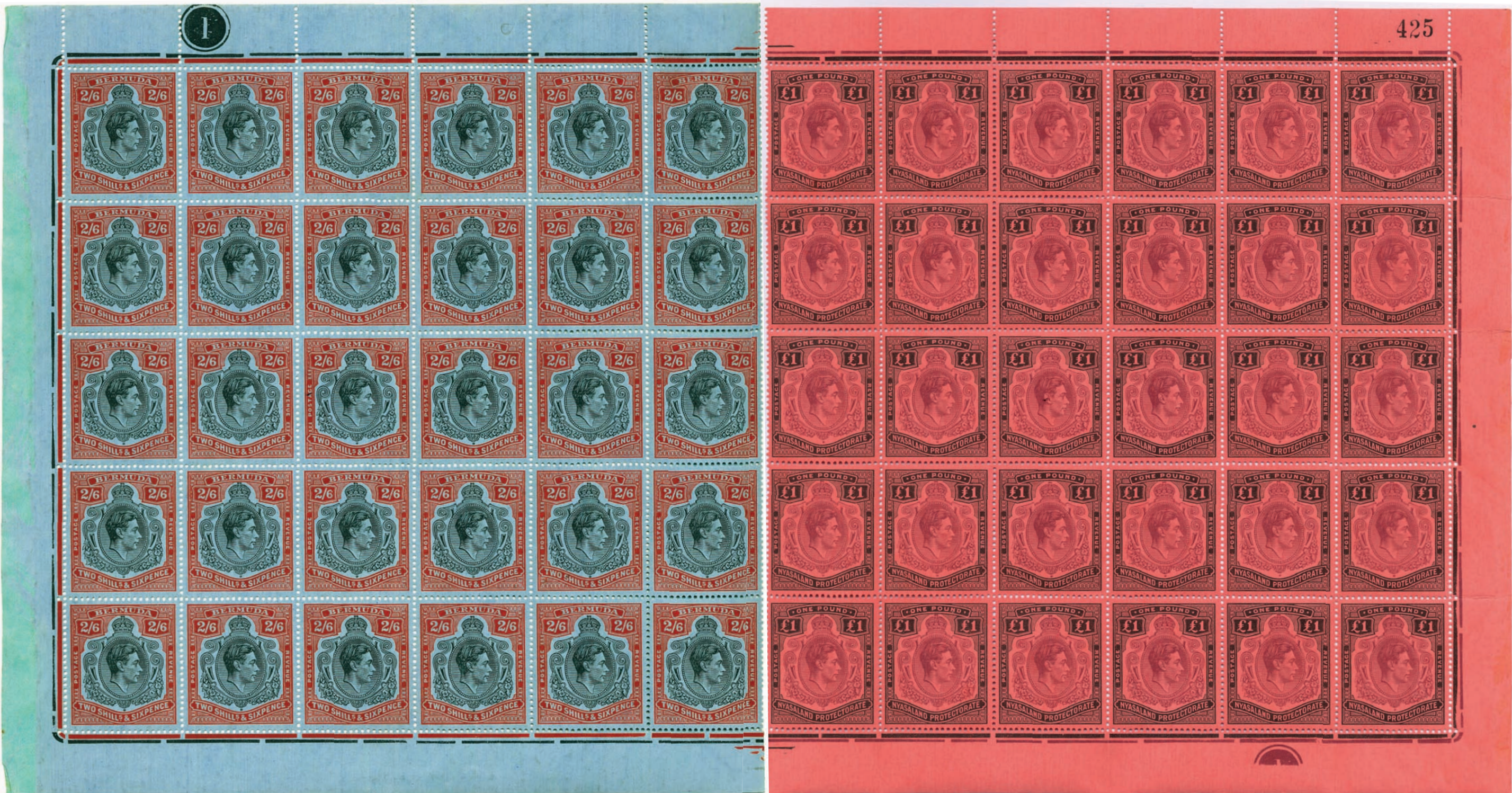


Master Die proof of the head approved by the Crown Agents on 21 September 1937. This is the **only recorded copy in private hands**, the other two are housed in the British Library (one is the Crown Agents' file copy and the other is in the Royal Collection).



The 60 set (60 stamps – 5 rows and 12 columns) surrounded by two jubilee lines is shown here made up of two half sheets. The Bermuda 2/6 Nov 1937 and Nyasaland £1 Nov 1937 first printings. Note the plate plug number 1 above stamp 2 and below stamp 59. Each plate also has two jubilee lines, the inner line printed in the colour of that particular plate. The outer jubilee line has varying breaks thus helping to identify plate positions when the selvedge is present.

The plate plug is in the colour of the head and is the same across the colonies. Plate plugs above stamp 2 always indicate the first printing. Damage to the plate plugs under stamp 59 help to identify the printing.



Printings of the Keyplates

There were 82 printings of the large keyplates across the colonies. Collecting complete sheets of each printing is not always possible and because of the number of printings they may not all exist. The Yendall book helps to identify which sheet a stamp comes from and if the stamp has an HPF or an FF it is possible to position the stamp within the sheet. So a common practice is to 'plate' the sheet. This is accomplished by collecting multiples or singles (mint or used) and positioning them where they came from. Although the daylight colours are described throughout the exhibit used material sometimes loses some of its original lustre. The remainder of this exhibit attempts to identify the various keyplate printings and flaws both major and minor within the printings.

Nov 1937
Requisition: 2046/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 513 sheets
Quantity to CA: 200 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 313 sheets dispatched 23 Nov & 30 Dec 1937
Issued: 20 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: red-purple
Frame: ultramarine

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Specimen

Examples perforated 'SPECIMEN' were produced at the time of a new issue (first printing) for the British General Post Office (GPO) for distribution to the postal administrations of the Universtal Postal Union (UPU) through Berne. 414 stamps were perforated for Bermuda.

Plate plug above position 2 proves first printing

Flaw 13c
Break
above
left crown
jewel

			4
			16
			28
37	38	39	40

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/



2/ Frame Plate

Before Striking
6 examples recorded

FF 28
Breaks in shading
lines left of
value tablet



Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



Postmarked
27 Nov 1939
proving first
printing



Oct 1940
Requisition: 2534/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 398 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 398 sheets dispatched 1 Oct 1940
Issued: Oct 1940

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: deep red-purple
Frame: ultramarine

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

The horizontal shading lines above the king's head show signs of heavy inking.



Flaw 21d
Two chips missing
top left scroll



Flaw 39
Break between
leaf and flowers

Oct 1940 reprint
Requisition: 2534/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 112 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 112 sheets dispatched 4 Oct 1940
Issued: Oct 1940

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: bright red-purple
Frame: ultramarine

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

The horizontal shading lines above the king's head are clear and distinct.

Ex Foxley



11a
Dot at neck



11b
Blank area
right of central
scallop

A proving stamp
for the 1940 reprint

Foxley states as Oct 1940 reprint

May 1941
Requisition: 2551/2
Perforation: 14.1 Line
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 250 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 250 sheets dispatched 16 May 1941
Issued: Unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: deep purple
Frame: ultramarine

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/ continued

Flaw 1a
Pearl
Cracked
Borders

Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel

Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls

Flaw 49a
Two damaged
areas in lower
right scroll

Ex Foxley

FF 28
Breaks in
shading
lines left of
value tablet

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin

Flaw 22a
Lower right scroll
broken tail

Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck

Ex Foxley

Flaw 12a
Damage left
leaves

Flaw 24a
Leaf outline
missing

Flaw 34
Vertical break
under middle
of crown

Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll

Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll

4

6

16

21

25

26

27

30

31

32

35

36

39

40

41

46

54

FF 45
Nick in frame
above H

Ex Foxley

Ex Foxley

Ex Cooper

SHIL

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Oct 41 (Mottled)
Requisition: 2551/2 & 2601/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary, deep blue surfacing
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 536 & 693 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 1229 sheets dispatched 2 & 14 Oct 1941
Issued: 7 Jun 1942

Daylight colours
Paper: mottled deep blue
Head: purple
Frame: deep blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 14 Aug 1942

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/ continued

There are two major flaws identified on the Dec 1949 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of the exhibit.

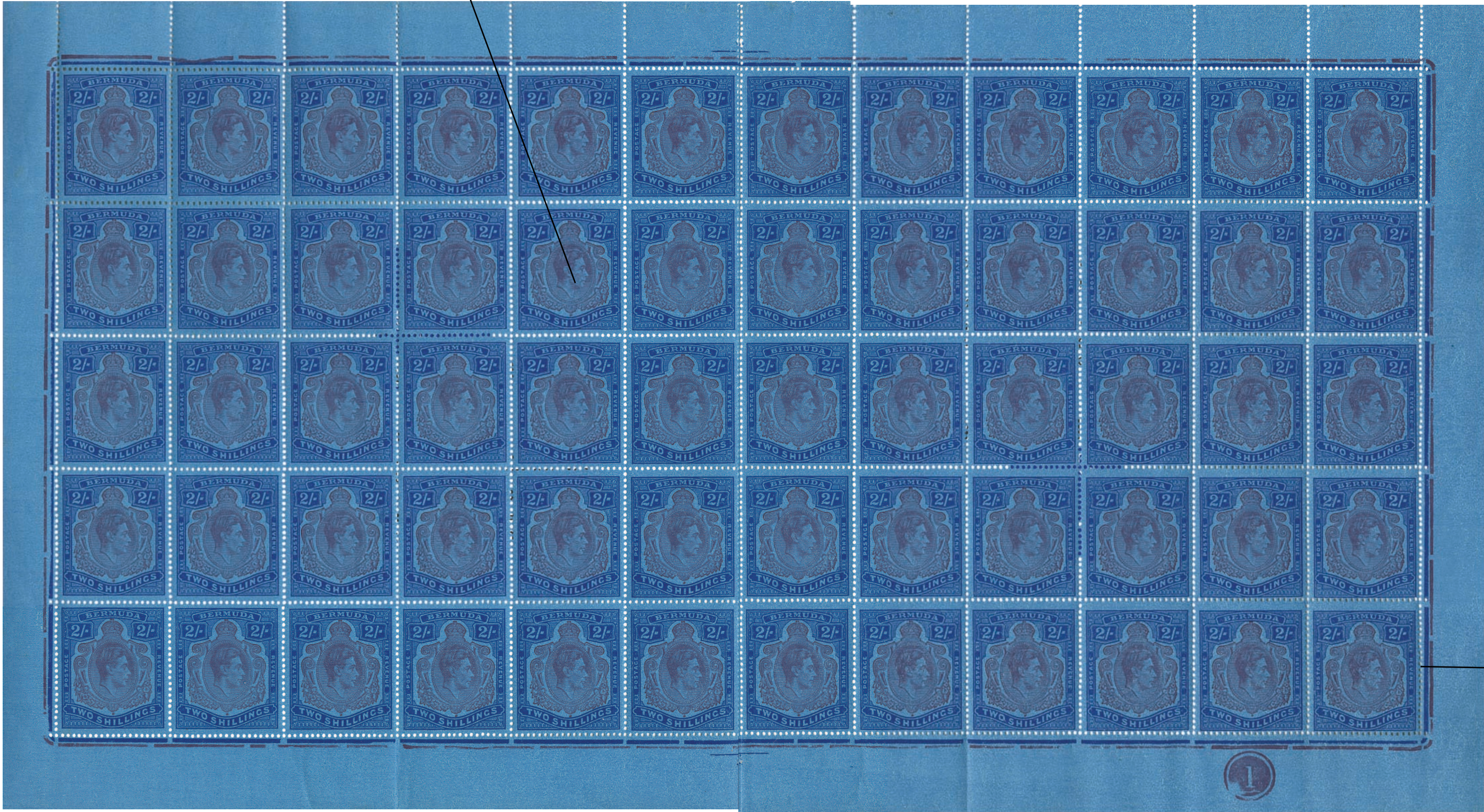
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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Flaw numbers

- 1a
- 4a,4b
- 10a
- 11a,11b
- 12a,12c,FF12
- 13b,13c
- 17a
- 21a,21e
- 22a,22b
- 28a,FF28
- 33a
- 34
- 36
- 38c
- 39
- 41
- FF43
- 44
- 45a,45b,FF45
- 47a,47b
- FF48
- 49a
- 52d
- 54
- 59ii
- 60



Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/ continued

Earliest known use 21 Dec 1944

Ex Cooper

Flaw 4a
Sliced second leaf

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin

Flaw 10a/11a/20a
Dot at neck

Flaw 12c
Mashed pearls

Flaw 12a
Damage
left
leaves

Flaw 22a
Indent
in
scroll

Flaw 36ii
Dent
in
scroll

Flaw 59ii Upper Scroll Repair

Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll

Flaw 52a
Break in
top leaf

Flaw 1b
Shading
omitted
in upper
right scroll
only on
this printing

Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel

Flaw 49a
Two damaged
areas in lower
right scroll

March 1944
Requisition: 2706/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 1008 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 1008 sheets dispatched 23 Mar & 14 Apr 1944
Issued: April 1944

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: red-purple
Frame: very deep blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



The plate plug shows clear erosion where the entire base and lower fourth of the figure '1' does not appear. Similar characteristics for the used plate block and the date of 9 Dec 1944 proves the March 1944 printing.



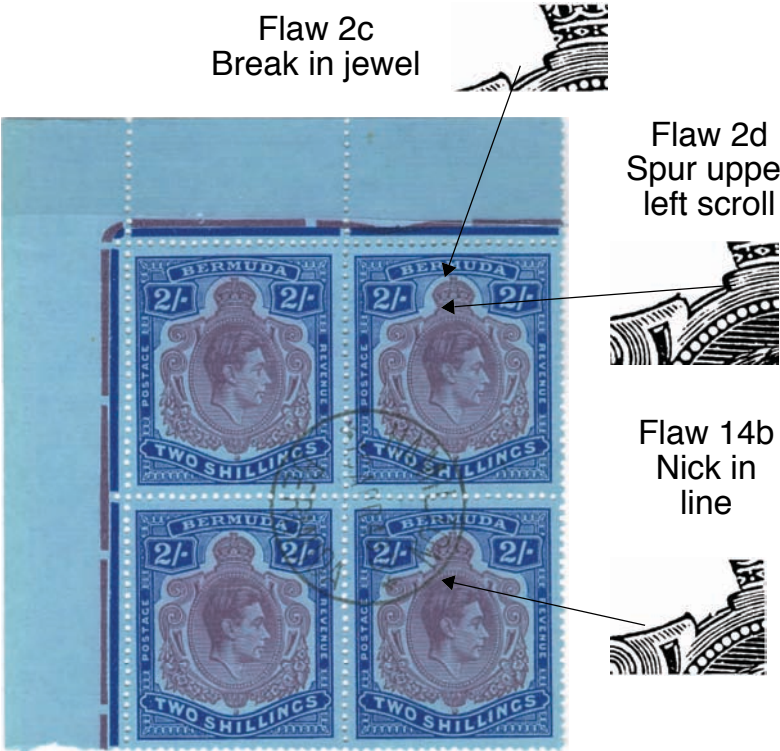
This flaw is supposedly only on the the Perf 14.1 line perf issues. However, the flaw is clearly a broken tail on the lower right scroll and has been certified by the RPSL as such and identified as the Mar 1944 printing. Uncatalogued by Stanley Gibbons and unrecognized by Yendall and likely an impossible example - but certainly unique

Printings of the Bermuda 2/ continued

June 1945
Requisition: 2766/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 552 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 502 sheets dispatched 9 & 20 Jun 1945
Issued: July 1945

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: reddish purple
Frame: deep blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Flaw 2c, 2d and 14b do not occur in the Mar 1944 printing but do in the June 1945 printing. The date of 15 Apr 1946 proves this to be the June 1945 printing.

Feb 1949
Requisition: 3059/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 655 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets plus 75 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 400 sheets (plus 75 old stock) dispatched 18 Feb 1949
Issued: 13 Jun 1949

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: light red-purple
Frame: bright blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head: aniline reaction
Frame:



FF 48
Break in lower right corner eye

There is an aniline reaction to the head and FF 48 only occurs on the Feb 1949 printing

December 1946
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 550 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets, plus 80 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 420 sheets dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: Dec 1946

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: red-purple
Frame: light blue

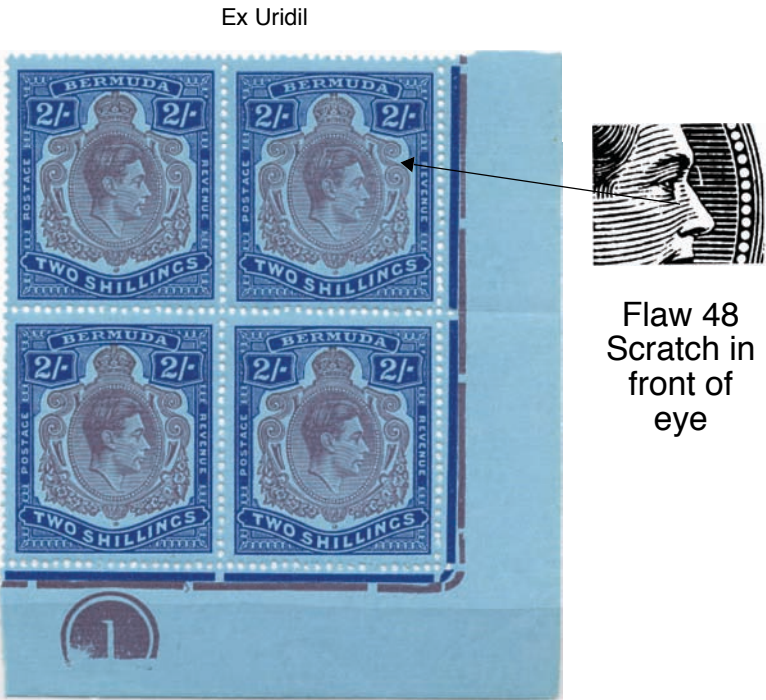
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



July 1947
Requisition: 2911/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 493 sheets
Quantity to CA: 113? exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 379 sheets (plus 113? old stock) dispatched 29 Jul 1947
Issued: 26 Aug 1947

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: brownish purple
Frame: bright blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Flaw 48
Scratch in front of eye

Plate plug side erosion more pronounced and this is the first Flaw 48 occuring proving the July 47 printing

Dec 1949

Requisition: 3194/2

Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb

Paper: Ordinary

Gum: Clear

Quantity Printed: 504 sheets

Quantity to CA: 166? sheets exchanged

Quantity to Colony: 337 sheets (plus 166? old stock) dispatched 22 Dec 1949

Issued: 15 Feb 1950

Daylight colours

Paper: pale blue

Head: light red–purple

Frame: bright blue

Ultraviolet colours

Paper:

Head: aniline reaction

Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/ continued

There are no major flaws identified on the Dec 1949 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of the exhibit.

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Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a,4b
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8a,8c
- 9a
- 10b
- 11b
- 12b,FF12
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 22b
- 24b,24c,24d
- 25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28c,FF28
- 29a,29b,29c
- 31
- 33a,33b
- 37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- FF43
- 44
- FF45
- 47a,47b
- 48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 54
- 56
- 59b
- 60b,60c



Aug 1950
Requisition: 3268/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 1538 sheets
Quantity to CA: 25 sheets plus 150 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 1363 sheets (plus 150 old stock) dispatched 18 & 24 Aug 1950
Issued: 13 Jul 1950

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: greyish-blue
Frame: blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head: aniline reaction
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/ continued

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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

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Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8a,8b,8c
- 9a,9b
- 10b
- 11b
- 12b,FF12
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 24b,24c,24d
- 25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28c,FF28
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- FF43
- FF45
- 47a,47b
- 48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 54
- 56
- 59b
- 60b,60c



Feb 1952
Requisition: 3503/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 745 sheets
Quantity to CA: 222 sheets exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 523 sheets (plus 222 old stock) dispatched 22 Feb & 9 Apr 1952
Issued: 8 Feb 1952

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: bright reddish purple
Frame: blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head: aniline reaction
Frame:

Ex Ulrich
Ex Foxley

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/ continued

23 Feb 1952 postmark preceeding earliest known postmark by more than six months

Flaw 14a
Scratch
through
left scrolls

Flaw 25
Notch in
crown base

Flaw 26
Break in
crown base

Flaw 37
deformed
leaf

Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls

Flaw 40a
Notch in
crown base

Flaw 40b
Spur on
scroll

Flaw 31
Missing
leaf tip

Flaw 47a
Break in
leaf

Flaw 47b
Break in
leaf

Flaw 60c
Slit in crown
base

Flaw 60b
Break in lines
lower left
scroll

Flaw 12
Break
between
RE of
REVENUE

Flaw 24b
Break
inside leaf

Flaw 24c
Break
in crown
base

Flaw 24d
Scratch
behind head

Flaw 48
Scratch in
front of
eye

Flaw 8a
Break in
left
scroll

Flaw 8b
Break in
left
second leaf

Flaw 21e
Nick in
left scroll

Flaw 10b
Missing
scallop
right crown

Flaw 12b
Missing
leaf tip

Flaw 17b
Deformed leaf

Flaw 3
Slit in
crown
base

Flaw 14b
Scratch
through
left scrolls

Flaw 25
Notch in
crown base

Flaw 26
Break in
crown base

Flaw 37
deformed
leaf

Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls

Flaw 40a
Notch in
crown base

Flaw 40b
Spur on
scroll

Flaw 31
Missing
leaf tip

Flaw 47a
Break in
leaf

Flaw 47b
Break in
leaf

Flaw 60c
Slit in crown
base

Flaw 60b
Break in lines
lower left
scroll

Flaw 12
Break
between
RE of
REVENUE

Flaw 24b
Break
inside leaf

Flaw 24c
Break
in crown
base

Flaw 24d
Scratch
behind head

Flaw 48
Scratch in
front of
eye

Flaw 8a
Break in
left
scroll

Flaw 8b
Break in
left
second leaf

Flaw 21e
Nick in
left scroll

Flaw 10b
Missing
scallop
right crown

Flaw 12b
Missing
leaf tip

Flaw 17b
Deformed leaf

Flaw 3
Slit in
crown
base

Flaw 14b
Scratch
through
left scrolls

Flaw 25
Notch in
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Flaw 26
Break in
crown base

Flaw 37
deformed
leaf

Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls

Flaw 40a
Notch in
crown base

Flaw 40b
Spur on
scroll

Flaw 31
Missing
leaf tip

Flaw 47a
Break in
leaf

Flaw 47b
Break in
leaf

Flaw 60c
Slit in crown
base

Flaw 60b
Break in lines
lower left
scroll

Flaw 12
Break
between
RE of
REVENUE

Flaw 24b
Break
inside leaf

Flaw 24c
Break
in crown
base

Flaw 24d
Scratch
behind head

Flaw 48
Scratch in
front of
eye

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The Bermuda 2/ major flaws identified in red on the previous pages are mint copies. Below are used copies of 2/ Bermuda major flaws.

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line



Oct 1941
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb
Ex Foxley



Mar 1943
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb

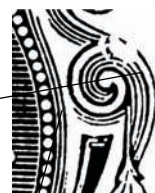


Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll



Only recorded used pair

May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll



Mar 1943
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb



Oct 1941
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb



Flaw 1b
Shading
omitted
in upper
right scroll
only on
this printing

Flaw 22a
Lower right scroll
broken tail



May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line

Bermuda 2/ continued



Bermuda 2/ Nov 1937 printing cancelled Hamilton 16 Nov 1939 representing the first flight to Lisbon carried on Foreign Air Mail route #18 with blue-green censor hand stamp (CM21 #3) paying the full air service 2/ rate. Black boxed PAS RECLAME?NAO RECLAMADO hand stamp alongside. Stamp further tied by partial black boxed RETOUR hand stamp Lisbon Nov 20 and 21 back stamp and additional Lisbon cancelled stamp of Dec 31 1939 on front tying stamp when cover returned to Bermuda.

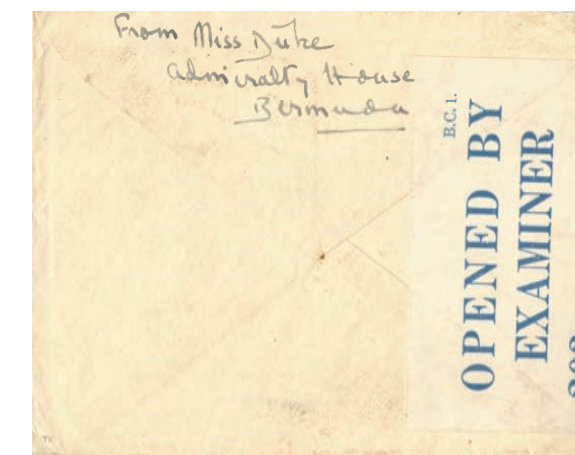
Bermuda 2/ used for postal purposes.



Back reduced in size



Bermuda 2/ May 1941 printing cancelled 4 Jun 1942 to Marseille, France with blue-green censor hand stamp (CM21 #22) paying the full air service 2/ rate. The stamp is major flaw 'lower right scroll with broken tail' proving it is from position 17 of the 14.1 line perf sheet.



Back reduced in size

Bermuda 2/ Oct 1940 on censored, flown cover to the HMS Eagle, London cancelled Hamilton, 17 Feb 1941 paying the full air service 2/ rate. Forwarded with stamp additionally cancelled black boxed RECEIVER FROM H.M. SHIPS (the only known usage of this hand stamp on a Keyplate cover). Blue BC1 Opened by Examiner 203 censor tape on back.

Bermuda 2/ continued



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll



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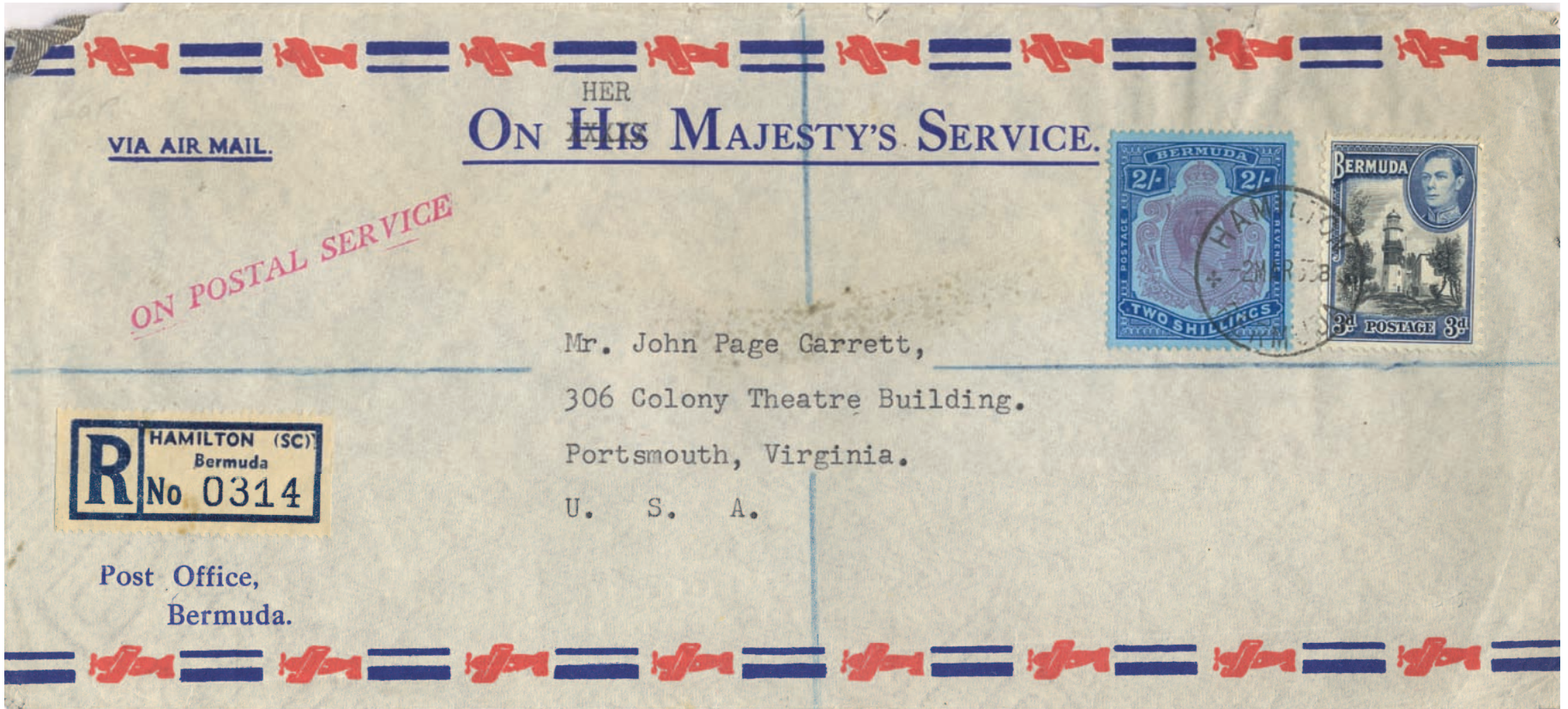
Bermuda 2/ Mar 1943 on small, registered air mail cover to Vernon, British Columbia, Canada, cancelled St. Georges 17 Nov 1944 with matching registration etiquette. Customs hand stamp at Montreal, 23 Nov 1944 and Vernon arrival handstamp on reverse.



Bermuda 2/ July 1947 on Bermuda 3d registered envelope (Higgins & Gage - C6a) sent from Somerset, Bermuda to New Canaan, Connecticut. The 3/6 postage covered the 6 oz rate to the USA. The US Customs deemed the envelope free of duty but decided that that it was overweight and assessed a 10c postage due (5c underpaid x 2). The date sent is unclear but it arrived at its destination on New Year's Eve.



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Bermuda 2/ Feb 1952 on air mail envelope provided by the Post Office of Bermuda sent to Portsmouth, Virginia, USA from Hamilton on 2 Mar 1953. It paid the registration rate of 3d and the full air service rate of 2/. This was approximately 2 months after Queen Elizabeth II was coronated and stamps for KGVI were still being used as no stamps for QEII had been issued yet.

Nov 1937
Requisition: 2046/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 478 sheets
Quantity to CA: 200 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 278 sheets dispatched 22 Nov & 30 Dec 1937
Issued: 20 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: black
Frame: deep red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/6

Specimen



2/6 Frame Plate

No Die proofs are known with markings
Believed to be between 3 and 5 examples

Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



Ex Saul
Ex Foxley



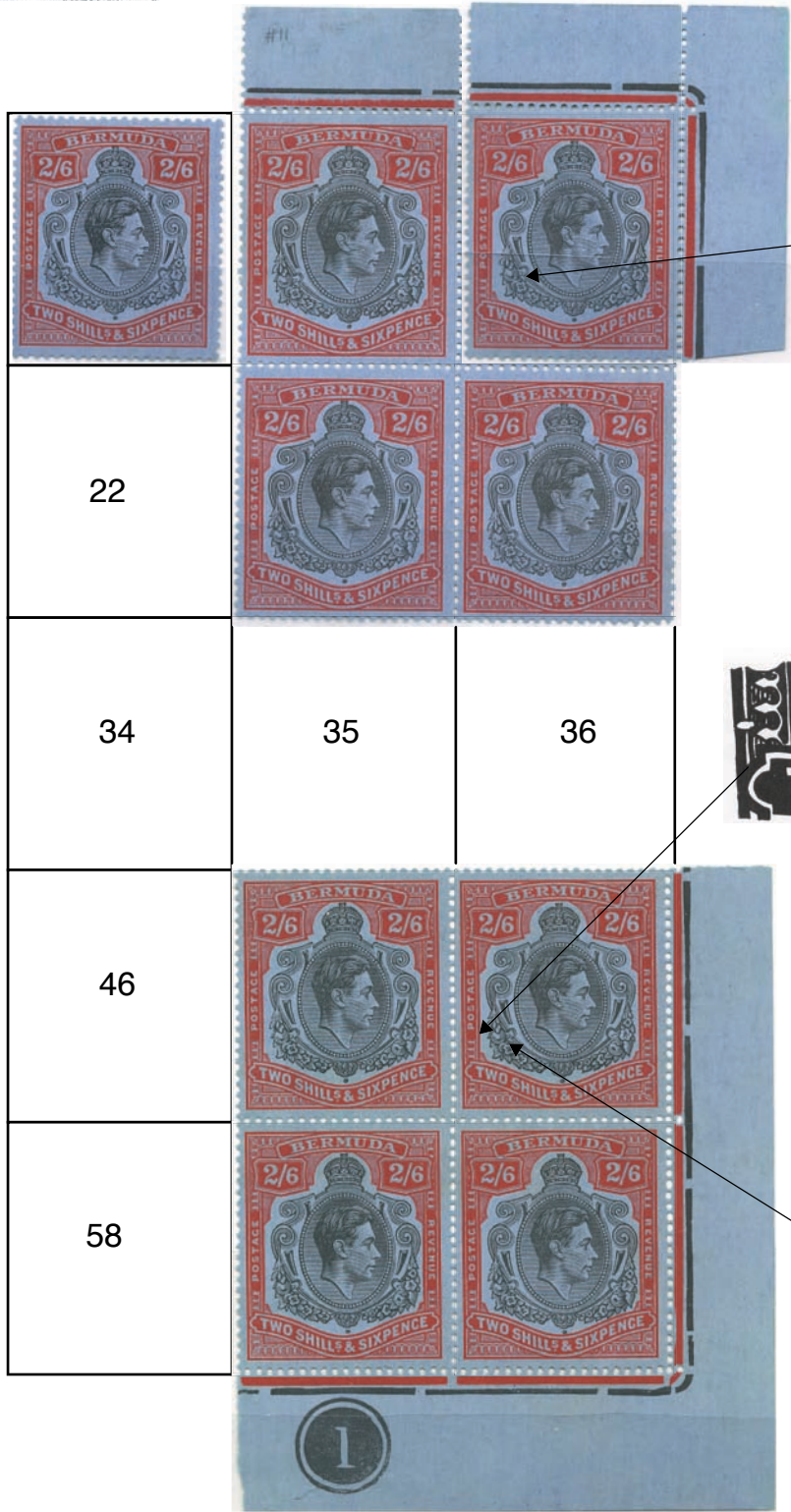
Although postmarked 4 Jun 1941 it is the 1940 printing as this printing was the only keyplate that had a complete plate plug.

Oct 1940
Requisition: 2534/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 514 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 514 sheets dispatched 1 Oct 1940
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: black
Frame: carmine-red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



Flaw 12a
damage left
leaves - not
identified by
Yendall



Frame Flaw 48
Break in outer
frame below
POSTAGE



Flaw 47a
Flaw in third
left leaf - not
identified by
Yendall

Left half sheet is above in
Frame 1,Page 2

Proves
first
printing



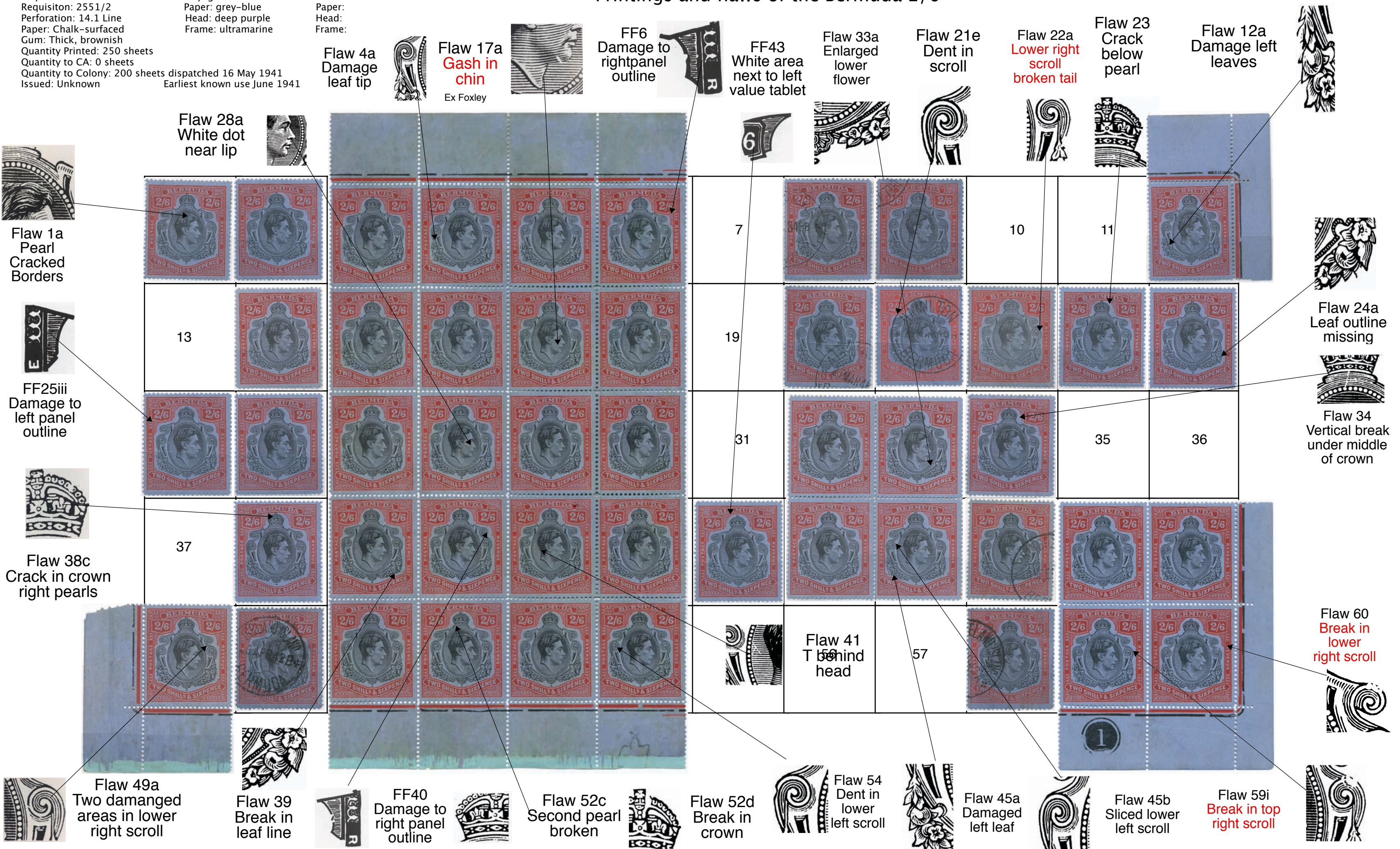
FF43
Missing line left of
right value tablet

May 1941
Requisition: 2551/2
Perforation: 14.1 Line
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 250 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 200 sheets dispatched 16 May 1941
Issued: Unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: deep purple
Frame: ultramarine

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:


Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/6




Dec 41
Requisition: 2551/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 254 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 254 sheets dispatched 12 & 31 Dec 1941
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: black
Frame: carmin-red


Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



This printing not identified by Stanley Gibbons



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/6

Mar 1943
Requisition: 2628/4
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 308 sheets
Quantity to CA: 308 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 0 sheets
Issued: 5 Mar 1943
This requisition was printed to provide stamps for the new Crown Agents stamp sales Bureau

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: black
Frame: red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Ex Ludington



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin




Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll


December 1946
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: ? sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: ? sheets dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: black
Frame: pale dull red

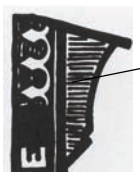
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



This printing and the reprint all have the same flaws. The only difference is the frame colour which is subtle



Flaw 25
Notch in crown base




FF25iii
Damage to left panel outline

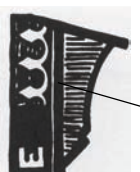
December 1946 reprint
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 596 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets, plus 105 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 441 sheets (plus old stock) dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: 11 Dec 1946

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: black
Frame: dull red


Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Flaw 25
Notch in crown base



FF25iii
Damage to left panel outline



Flaw 48
Mark in front of eye

Flaw 16c
Break in left jewel

Flaw 16b
Gouge in crown base



Flaw 16a
Spur on scroll



Plate plug and HPF48 prove this printing on both the mint and used blocks



Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 2/6



Nov 1951
Requisition: 3456/2
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 1163 sheets
Quantity to CA: 230 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 933 sheets dispatched 29 Nov 1951
Issued: Dec 1951

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: grey-black
Frame: orange-red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 5 Jan 1953

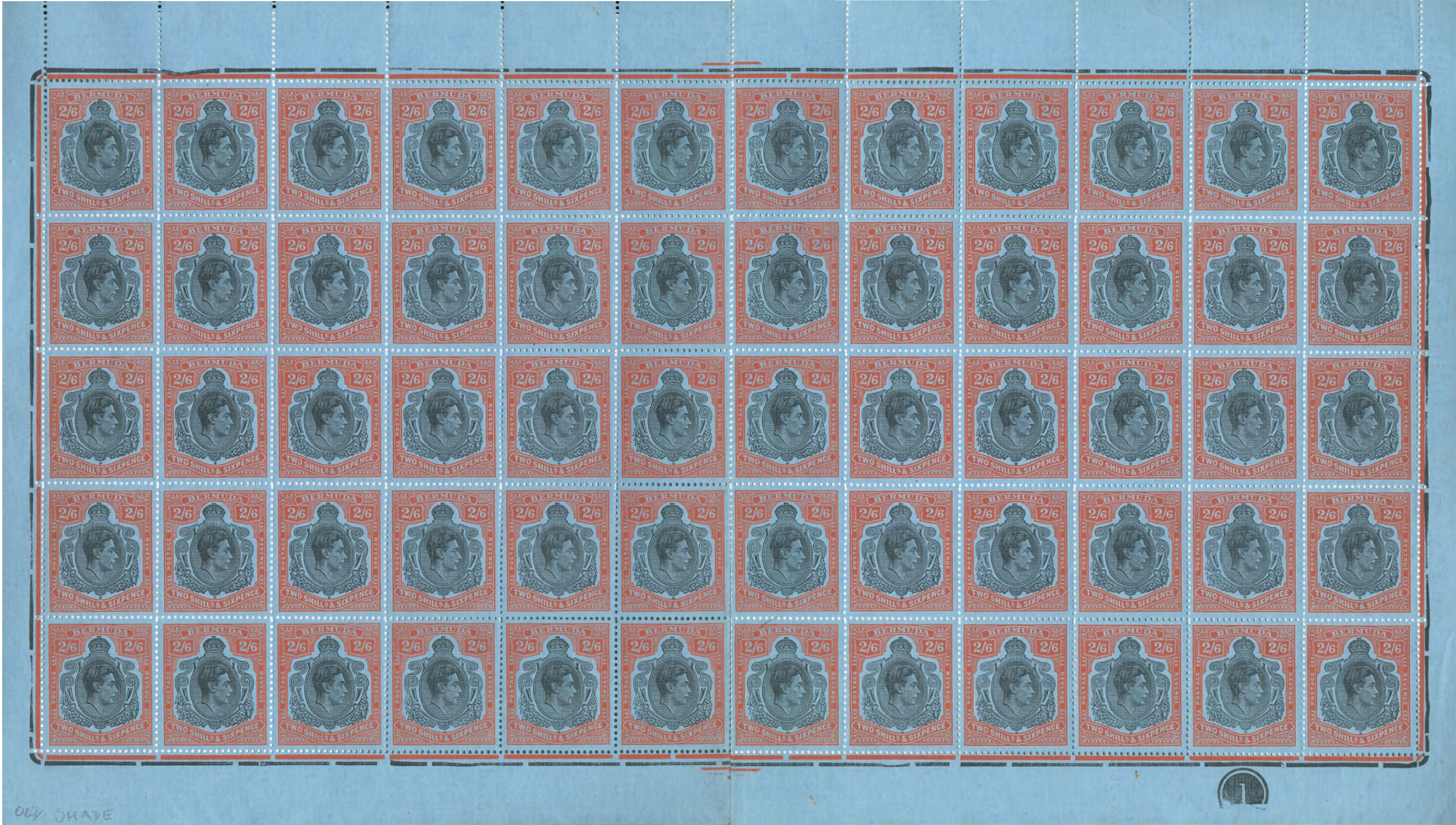
Printings of the Bermuda 2/6 continued

There are no major flaws identified on the Nov 1951 printing.
The minor flaw locations are identified opposite in blue and the
flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet.

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a,4b
- 6a,6b
- 7a
- 8b,8c
- 9a,9b
- 10b
- 11b,FF11
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 22b
- 24b,24c,24d
- 25,FF25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 32
- 33a
- 36
- 37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- FF43
- 47a,47b
- 48,FF48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 54
- 56
- 59b
- 60b,60c



First printing that the distorted jubilee line
appears under 56

Apr 1952
Requisition: 3503/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 693 sheets
Quantity to CA: 230 sheets exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 463 sheets (plus 230 old stock) dispatched 9 Apr 1952
Issued: 19 Jun 1952

Daylight colours
Paper: pale blue
Head: black
Frame: carmine-red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head: aniline reaction
Frame:

Printings of the Bermuda 2/6 continued

There are no major flaws identified on the Apr 1952 printing.
The minor flaw locations are identified opposite in blue and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

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Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c,FF1
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a,4b
- 6a,6b,FF6
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8b,8c
- 9a,9b
- 10b
- FF11
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 22b
- 24b,24c,24d
- 25,FF25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28b,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 32
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- FF43
- 47a,47b
- 48,FF48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b,FF52
- 56
- 59b
- 60b,60c



Printings of the Bermuda 2/6 continued

The Bermuda 2/6 major flaws identified in red on the previous pages are mint copies. Below are used copies of 2/6 Bermuda major flaws.

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line



Dec 1941
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb

Ex Foxley

Ex Pitts



Mar 1943
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb

Flaw 22a
Lower right scroll
broken tail



May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line



May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line



Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll



Mar 1943
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll



May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line



Dec 1941
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb

Ex Foxley

Bermuda 2/ used for postal purposes.



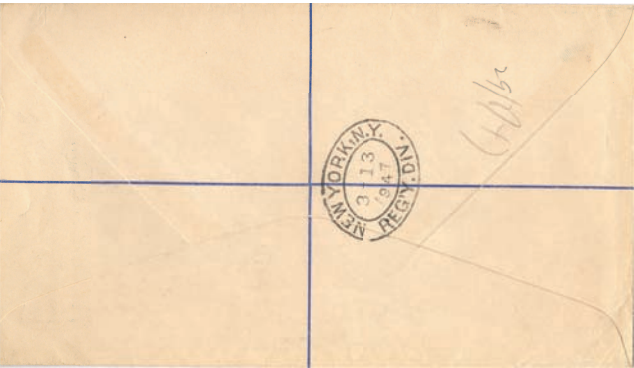
Bermuda 2/6 Nov 1937 printing on registered first day cover to England, cancelled St. Georges 20 Jan 1938 and with matching registration etiquette. Back stamped Plymouth, 6 Feb 1938.



Back stamp

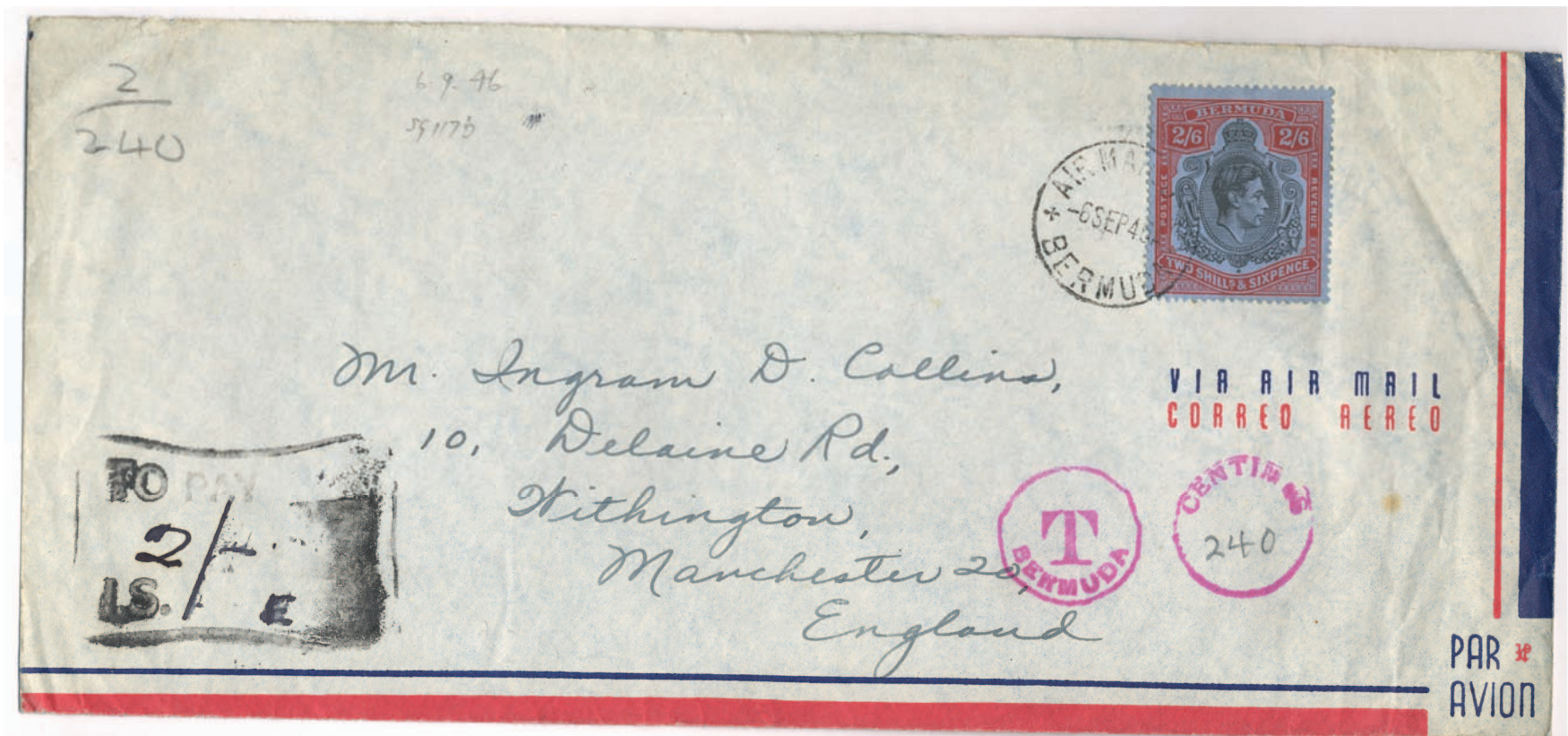


Bermuda 2/6 Oct 1940 printing on registered cover to St. Lucia via New York. It is cancelled 11 Mar 1947 at Hamilton with matching registration etiquette paying the 1 oz airmail rate plus the 3d registration fee. Backstamped New York, 13 Mar 1947,



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Bermuda 2/6 continued



Bermuda 2/6 Oct 1940 printing on #10 air mail cover to England cancelled Air Mail GPO 6 Sep 1946 with opera glass Postage Due stamp in mauve rate "2/240" in pencil and with GB boxed TO PAY 2/- L.S./E. due hand stamp in black. **Only a handful of Bermuda key plates are known in combination with postage due markings.**



Bermuda 2/6 May 1941 line perf printing on air mail cover to Sussex, England, cancelled Ireland Island 14 May 1945.



Bermuda 2/6 May 1941 line perf printing on registered air mail cover to Saskatchewan, Canada, cancelled Air Mail GPO 9 Dec 1946 with Hamilton registration etiquette. Back stamped Lloydminster via Montreal 13 Dec 1946 and with Montreal duty free stamp 11 Dec 1946



Bermuda 2/6 Dec 1941 printing on censored registered air mail cover to Nina Del Mar, Chile. Cancelled at Flatts, Oct 1942 with matching registration etiquette, backstamped New York 19 Oct 1942, via air to Santiago, Chile 24 Oct 1942 then on to Nina Del Mar 25 Oct 1942. PC90 C./8142 censor label at left.



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Bermuda 2/6 continued



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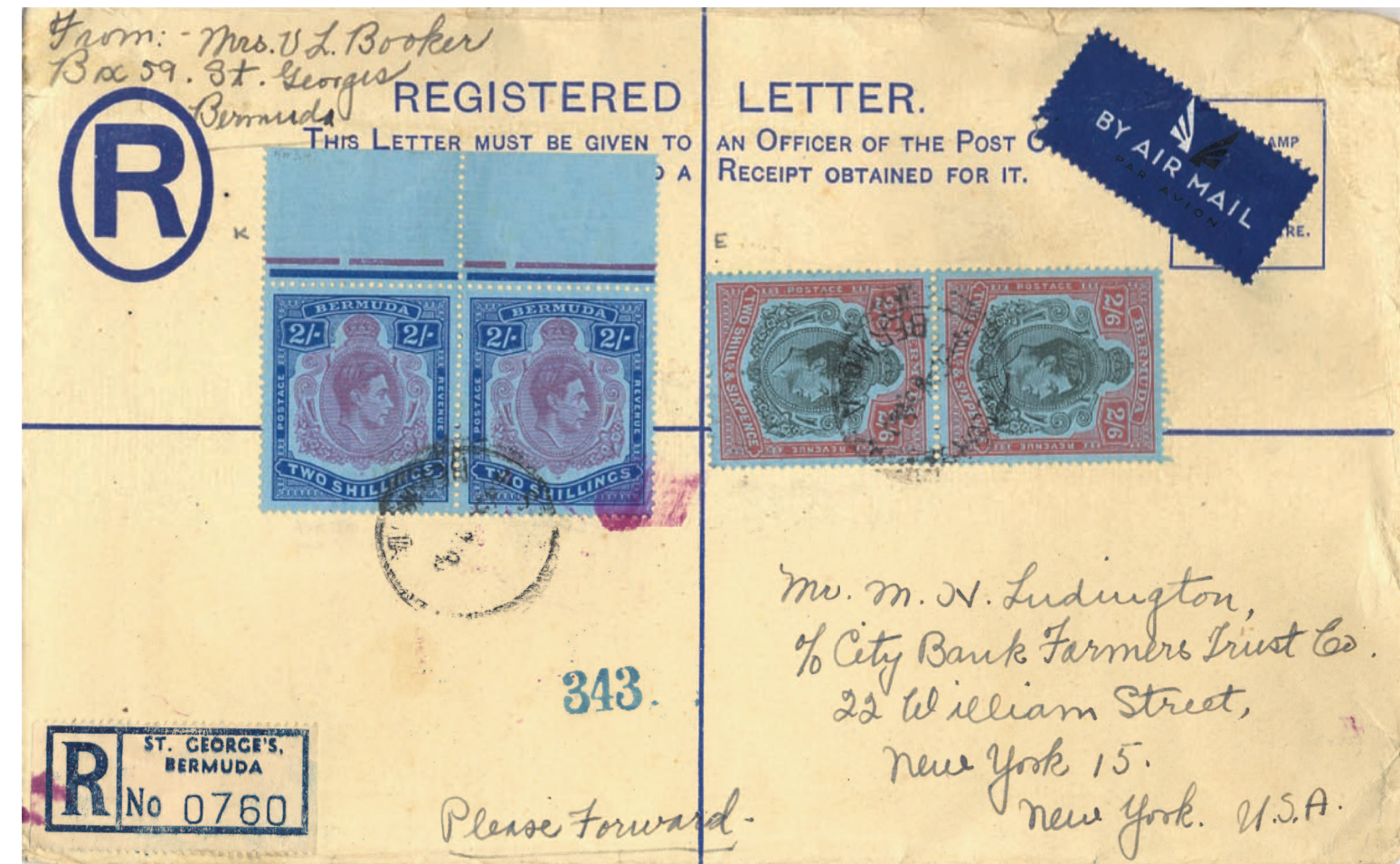


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Bermuda 2/6 Dec 1941 printing and 2/ Oct 1941 printing airmail envelope from Hamilton to a Royal Navy Officer in Alexandria, Egypt postmarked 4 May 1943 paying the correct rate. PC90 C./8113 censor label at left arriving Alexandria 23 May 1943 with Egyptian censorship circular stamp. Redirected to Hopper 33 which was a ship belonging to the Canal Company and was used for mine sweeping in the Suez canal.



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Bermuda 2/6 Dec 1943 printing and 2/ on registered 3 pence stationery envelope from St. Georges to Morris Ludington in New York postmarked Aug 1949 paying over the required rate as the registration rate was paid via the envelope. Arrived in New York 7 Aug 1949 and to the New York Church Street post office on 8 Aug 1949 with the USPS attaching airmail stickers after the arrival – probably to indicate to the receiver that it had come by air.

Nov 1937
Requisition: 2046/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 505 sheets
Quantity to CA: 150 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 355 sheets dispatched 22 Nov 1937
Issued: 20 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: yellow
Head: deep green
Frame: red

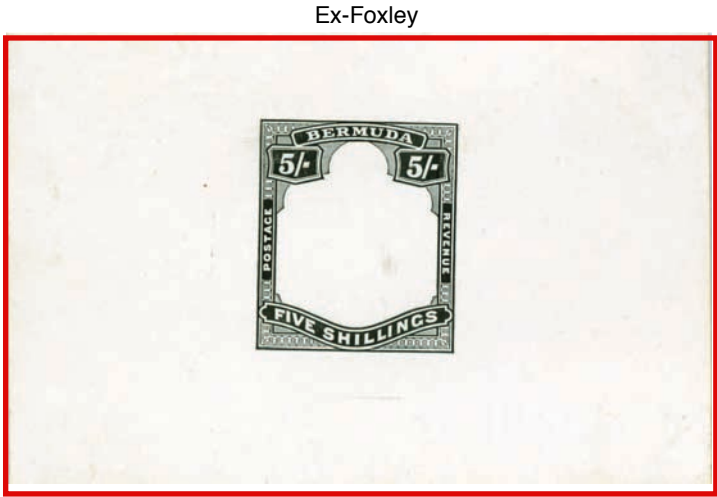
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings of the Bermuda 5/

Jan 1939
Requisition: 2371/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 204 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 204 sheets dispatched 19 Jan 1939
Issued: Early 1939

Daylight colours
Paper: yellow
Head: pale green
Frame: red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



5/ Frame Plate

No die proofs are known with markings. **Believed between 3 and 5 examples.**

Specimen

Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck

FF11b
Break above S

Proves first printing

Ex-Foxley

Flaw 1a
Pearl cracked borders

EX Delman
Ex-Foxley

33

Ex-Dr. Saul
34

45

46

60

FF58
Dot beside S

Flaw 13c
Break above left crown jewel

Flaw 28a
Dot in front of lip

Frame Flaw 39
Crack above left of B of BERMUDA

Flaw 1a
Pearl cracked borders

15

16

27

49

50

Flaw 39
Break between leaf and flowers

Nov 1941
Requisition: 2551/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 111 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 111 sheets dispatched 25 Nov 1941
Issued: Unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: pale yellow
Head: olive green (bronze)
Frame: red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: yellow
Head:
Frame: bright red

Ex Dickgiesser
Ex Pitts

Flaw 12c
Mashed pearls

Ex Pitts

Flaw 1a
Pearl cracked borders

Flaw 4a
Damage leaf tip

Flaw 22b
Scallop in scroll

Flaw 12a
damage left leaves

Ex Pitts

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin

Flaw 28a
Dot in front of lip

Ex Dr. Saul

Flaw 59ii
Upper Scroll Repair

Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll

Ex Foxley

May 1941
Requisition: 2551/2
Perforation: 14.1 Line
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 250 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 200 sheets dispatched 16 May 1941
Issued: Unknown
Earliest known use June 1941

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: deep purple
Frame: ultramarine
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings of the Bermuda 5/ continued



Mar 1943
Requisition: 2628/4
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 246 sheets
Quantity to CA: 246 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 0 sheets
Issued: 5 Mar 1943
This requisition was printed to provide stamps for the new Crown Agents stamp sales Bureau

Daylight colours
Paper: pale yellow
Head: pale green
Frame: carmine red

Ultraiolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 23 Nov 1946

Printings of the Bermuda 5/ continued



Flaw 1a
Pearl
cracked
borders



Flaw 1c
Sliced
scroll



Flaw 13c
Break
above
left crown
jewel



Flaw 39
Break between
leaf and flowers

Flaw 4a
Sliced
second leaf



Flaw 20a
Dot at neck



Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



FF 11
Break above S



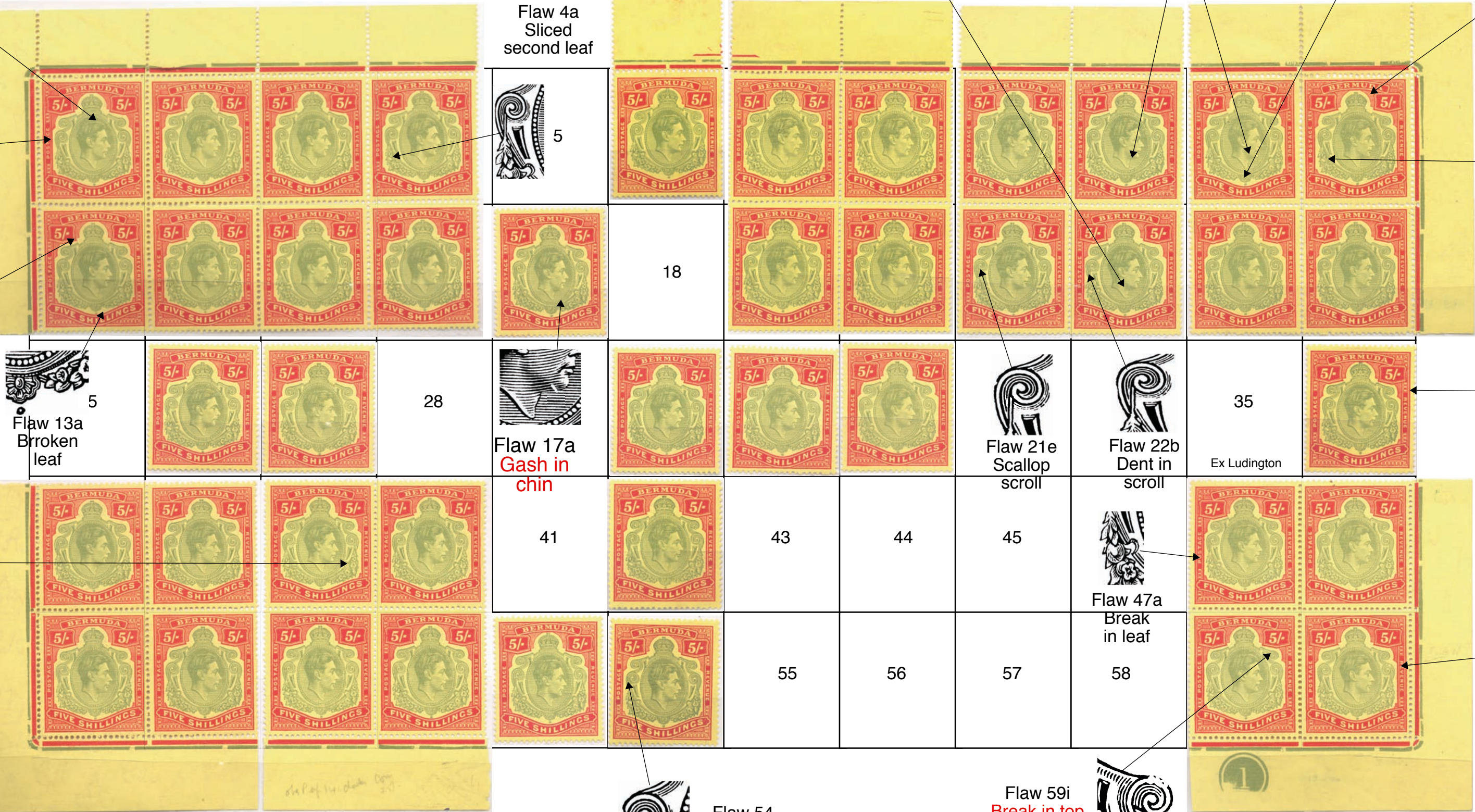
Flaw 12c
Mashed
pearls



Flaw 12a
damage left
leaves



Flaw 36iii
Dent in
scroll



Flaw 54
Dent in lower
left scroll

Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll



Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll

Mar 1944
Requisition: 2706/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 508 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 508 sheets
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: pale yellow
Head: dull green
Frame: red

Earliest known use Nov 1945

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame: lake

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 5/ continued

Dec 1946
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 600 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets plus 40 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 460 sheets (plus 40 old stock) dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: 11 Dec 1946

Earliest known use 18 Apr 1947

Daylight colours
Paper: pale yellow
Head: pale green
Frame: carmine red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: yellow
Head:
Frame: pale lake

The Mar 1943, Mar 1944, Dec 1946 and June 1948 are very similar. One way to differentiate the printings is via the plate plug. The other is the odd flaw or combination of flaws that occur on a particular printing but not on the others (These are shown here). Lastly, there is the use of an ultraviolet light to separate the frame or paper colour.

Jun 1948
Requisition: 2951/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 500 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 400 sheets (plus 100 old stock) dispatched 24 Jun 1948
Issued: 21 Jul 1948
Earliest known use July 1949

Daylight colours
Paper: pale yellow
Head: bright yellow-green
Frame: red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame: dull red

Flaw 48
Line in front of eye

Flaw 2c
Break in jewel

Flaw 24e
Break in crown base



Flaw 24b
Break in leaf shading



Flaw 14b
Nick in upper line



Flaw 49b
Missing Pearl



Nothing appears between 4 and 9 o'clock of the plate plug other than the small line at the bottom

Slightly less erosion than the Mar 1944 plate plug

Flaw 60c
Break in crown base



Similar to the Dec 1946 plate plug but it is the only corner block of these four printings to have Flaw 48



Daylight colours
Paper: yellow
Head: green
Frame: carmine-red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

This printing has 46 stamps with 81 flaws identified by Yendall. Only the two flaws that don't occur on previous printings are shown below.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60



Flaw 31
Break
in
leaf



Frame Flaw 58B
Dot after S



Ultraviolet colours
Paper: greyish yellow
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 5/ continued

This printing has 44 stamps with 85 flaws identified by Yendall. Only the three flaws that don't occur on the previous printing are shown below.



Flaw 8b
Break
in leaf

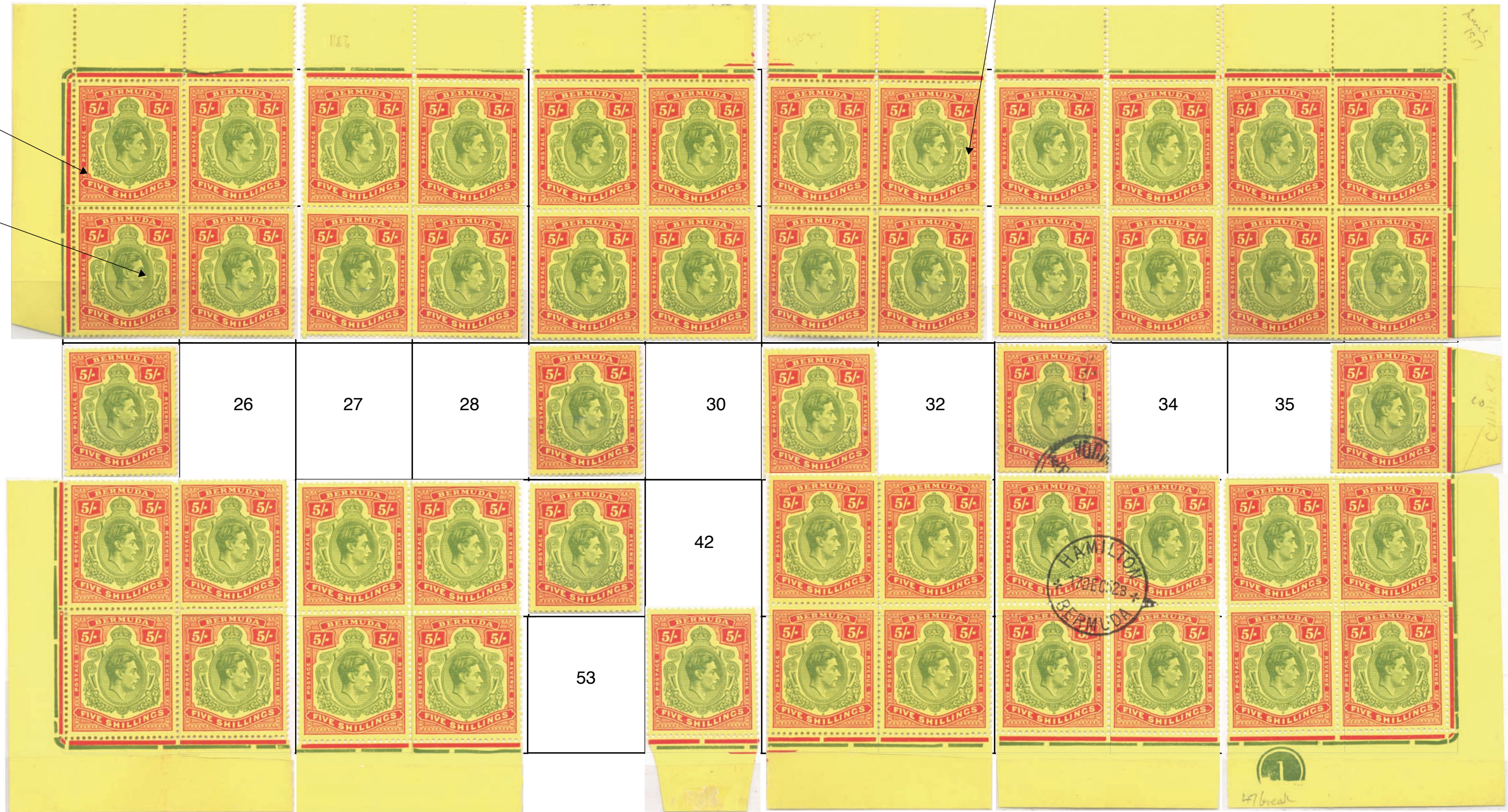
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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

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Frame Flaw 1
Indent
above F



Flaw 2b
Dot in
lower
right
cut-out



Apr 1952
Requisition: 3503/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear

Quantity Printed: 1000 sheets
Quantity to CA: 240 sheets exchanged

Quantity to Colony: 760 sheets (plus 240 old stock) dispatched 9 Apr 1952
Issued: Feb 18 1952 Earliest known use 1 Sep 1952

Issued: Feb 18 1952

Daylight colours
Paper: yellow
Head: pale green
Frame: pale red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 5/ continued

This printing has 43 stamps with 83 flaws identified by Yendall. Only one additional flaw occurs on stamp 28 but Frame Flaw 1 is no longer present. Also flaw 54 which has been present since the Nov 41 printing is no longer present.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

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Ex Pitts

Ex Dennis
Ex Uridil




Ex Pitts


The Bermuda 5/ major flaws identified in red on the previous pages are mint copies except for the bronze green. Below are used copies of 5/ Bermuda major flaws.

Ex Pitts


Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



BPA 83197




May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line




Nov 1941 Bronze
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb


Ex Foxley

Flaw 22a
Lower right scroll
broken tail







May 1941
Perf 14.1 Line




RPSL 223304



Mar 1943
Perf 13.9x13.8 Comb

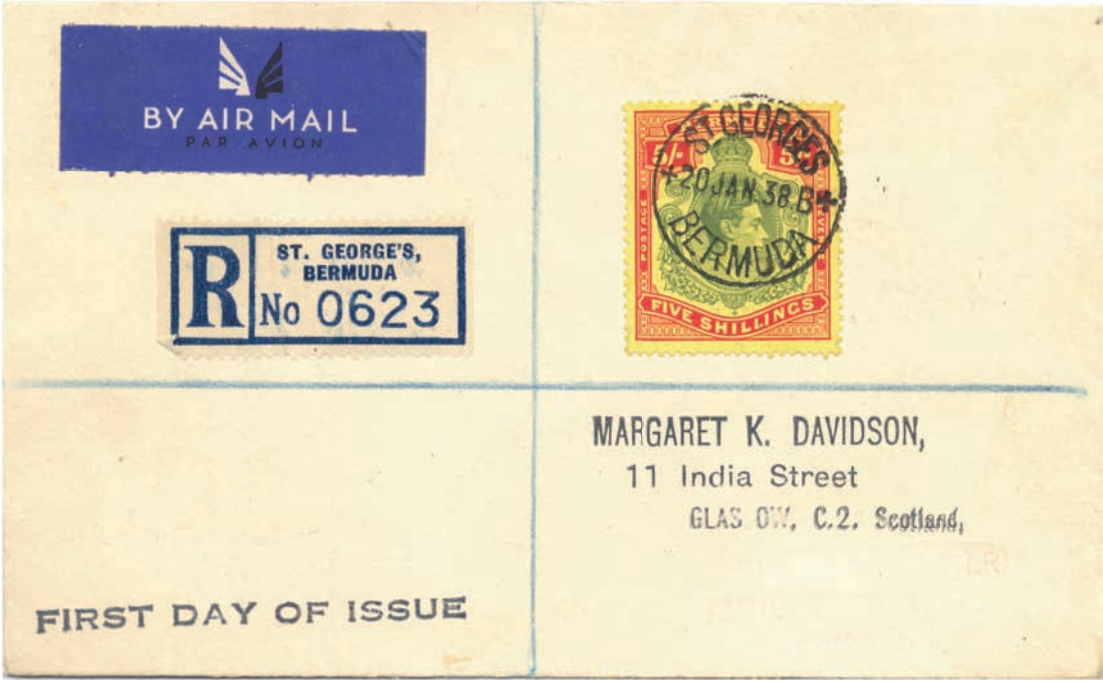


Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll



Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 5/ continued



Bermuda 5/ Nov 1937 printing on registered first day cover to England, cancelled St. Georges 20 Jan 1938 and with matching registration etiquette.

Bermuda 5/ Jan 1939 printing on registered air mail OHMS cover to USA, cancelled Hamilton 18 Dec 1941 with GPO registration etiquette. Backstamped with arrival in Chicago 20 Dec 1941 via New York then forwarded on to Ferguson via a change of address.

Bermuda 5/ used for postal purposes.



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Bermuda 5/ continued



Bermuda 5/ Nov 1941 bronze green printing on air mail cover to Egypt, cancelled Hamilton 16 Jun 1943 and with matching boxed registration handstamped in red. 5/ covered the 1 1/2 oz rate for mail to the forces. PC90 C./1857 censor label at left arriving via New York and Miami, then at the Army Post Office – Egypt Army Base on the 3 Aug 1943 and redirected to Hopper 33 via Field Post Office 57 on 4 Aug 1943. The stamp is position 60 and includes flaw 60 which is **possibly unique on cover**.



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Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll

Bermuda 5/ May 1941 Line perf on airmail unregistered cover to Poona, India, cancelled Hamilton 2 Oct 1942 along with the Aquarium slogan cancel. PC90 censor label at left with India octagonal censor stamp. Arrival and backstamped Kirkee 11 Oct 1942 via the South Atlantic route.



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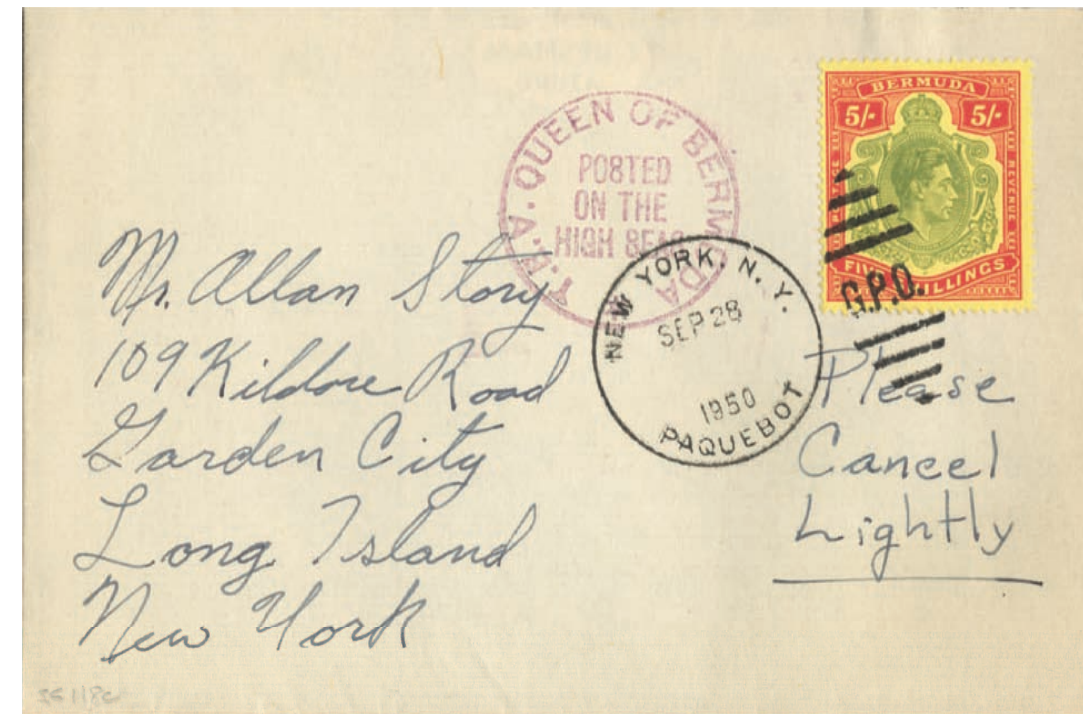
Bermuda 5/ May 1941 Line perf on airmail registered cover to Sydney, Australia cancelled Hamilton 1 Jan 1945 with registration handstamp in green. Passed by censor with circular green handstamp. Arrival and backstamped Brisbane 127 Feb 1945 via Honolulu and the Trans-Pacific route. 5/ paid the 4/9 postage and the 3d registration.

Bermuda 5/ continued

Although the 5/ was used for legitimate postal usage some were used strictly for philatelic purposes. Examples are shown below.



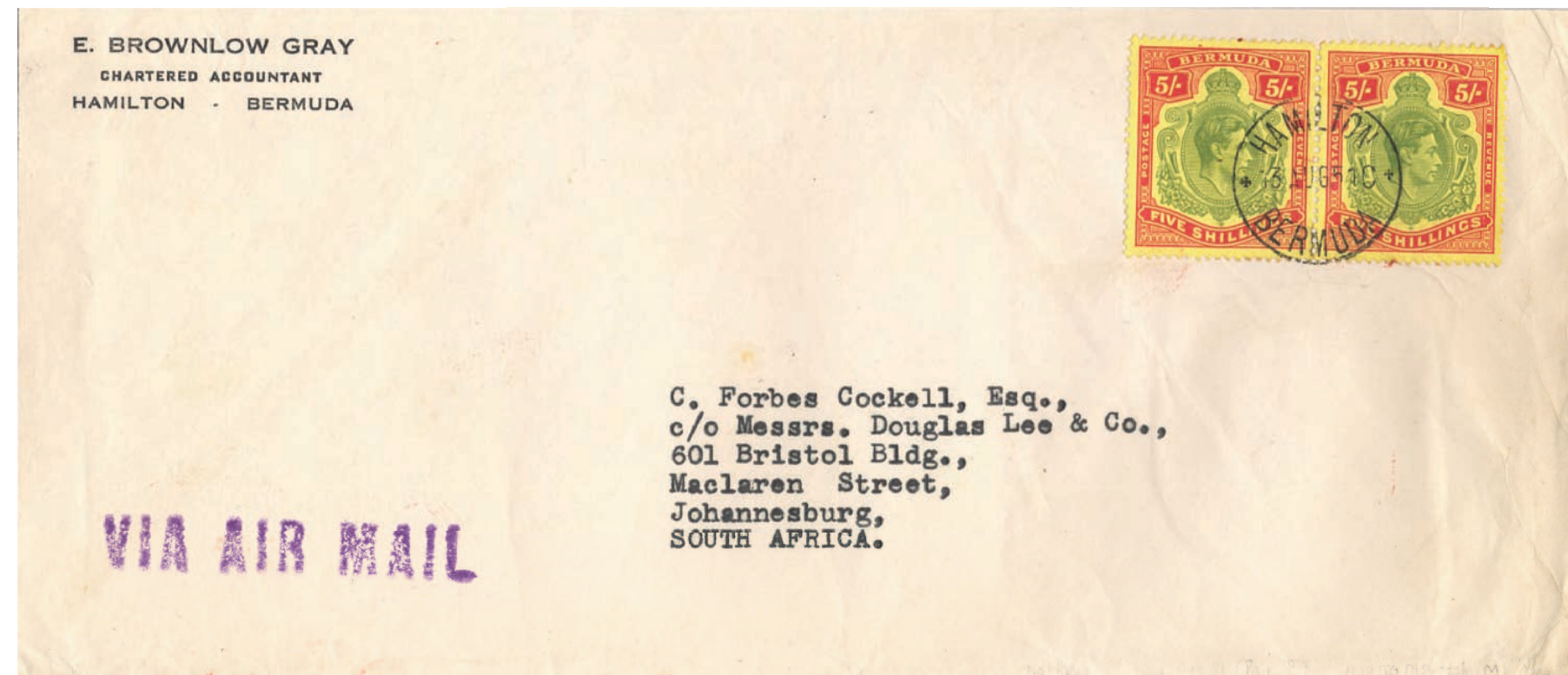
Bermuda 5/ Dec 1946 printing proven by the plate plug.



Bermuda 5/ Jun 1948 printing used on stationery of the Furness Bermuda Line with purple T.E.V. QUEEN OF BERMUDA/POSTED ON THE HIGH SEAS and cancelled Paquebot.



Bermuda 5/ Dec 1949 printing.



Bermuda 5/ Aug 1950 printing.

May 1941
Requisition: 2551/2
Perforation: 14.1 Line
Paper: Chalk surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 190 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 190 sheets dispatched 25 Sep 1941
Issued: Unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: dull yellow green
Frame: dull carmine

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: green
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 10/

FF 11A
Notch
above
V of
REVENUE



Flaw 1a
Pearl
Cracked
Borders

Flaw 4a
Sliced second leaf



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Flaw 11a
Dot at neck



Flaw 12a
Damage left
leaves



Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



FF 13
Distortion
to P of
POSTAGE
and frame line



FF 37
Break left
of right
value tablet



Flaw 39
Break
between
leaf and
flowers



FF 39
Break in
frame line



Flaw 41
Upside down
Y scratch
behind head



Flaw 52c
Second pearl broken



Flaw 54
Notch in scroll



Flaw 47b
Break in third
right leaf



Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll



Flaw 34
Scratch in
crown



Flaw 24a
Leaf outline
missing



Flaw 22a
Lower right
scroll
broken tail



Flaw 28a
White dot
right
of lip



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Flaw 28a

White dot

right

of lip

25

Ex Luddington
Ex Swain

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Ex Dr. Saul

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Flaw 47a
Flaw in third
left leaf

49

50

55

58



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll



Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll

Flaw 34
Scratch in
crown



Flaw 24a
Leaf outline
missing



Flaw 12a
Damage left
leaves



Flaw 11a
Dot at neck



FF 11A
Notch
above
V of
REVENUE

Ex Ulrich

Ex Dr. Saul

Ex Barron Stig

Requisition: 2628/4
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 86 sheets
Quantity to CA: 86 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 0 sheets
Issued: 5 Mar 1943
This requisition was printed to provide stamps for the new Crown Agents stamp sales Bureau

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: yellow green
Frame: deep red

Ultra violet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 1944

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 10/

Flaw 1a Pearl cracked borders

Flaw 1c Sliced scroll

Flaw 13c Break above left crown jewel

Flaw 13a Broken leaf

FF 13 Distortion to P of POSTAGE and frameline

FF 37 Break left of right value tablet

Flaw 49aai Scratch in scroll

Flaw 38c Crack in crown right pearls

Flaw 41 Upside down Y scratch behind head

Flaw 54 Dent in lower left scroll

Flaw 44 Shaved scroll

Flaw 45b Shaved scroll

Flaw 59ii Upper scroll repair

Ex Harris

Ex Lane

Ex Harris

Flaw 4a Sliced second leaf

Flaw 17a Gash in chin

FF 8 Deformed framelines near RE of REVENUE

Flaw 10a/11a/20a Dot at neck

FF 11B Slice in outline by left value tablet

Flaw 12a damage left leaves

Flaw 12c Mashed pearls

FF 12A Slash behind E

Flaw 36iii Dent in scroll

Flaw 47a Break in leaf

Flaw 60 Break in lower right scroll

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Ex Ludington

Flaw 39 Break between leaf and flowers

FF 39 Frameline break

Flaw 21e Scallop scroll

Flaw 22b Dent in scroll

BERMUDA

10/-

TEN SHILLINGS

POSTAGE

REVENUE

Nov 1944
Requisition: 2706/3
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 250 sheets
Quantity to CA: 250 sheets dispatched 10 Nov 1944
Quantity to Colony: 0 sheets
Issued: Dec 1944
This requisition was printed to provide stamps for the new Crown Agents stamp sales Bureau

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: deep green
Frame: brownish red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 7 Dec 1947


Printings of the Bermuda 10/ continued

Dec 1946
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 496 sheets
Quantity to CA: 166? exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 329? sheets (plus 166? old stock) dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: 11 Dec 1946


Daylight colours
Paper: light green, emerald back
Head: deep green
Frame: dull red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:


Earliest known use 8 Jul 1947




Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls




Flaw 37
deformed
leaf




FF 37
Break left
of right
value tablet





Flaw 49aii
Scratch
in scroll



Flaw 50ii
Flattened
scroll



Flaw 59b
Connected
jewels



Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c
- 2a,2c,2d
- 4a,4b
- FF5
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8c, FF8
- FF9
- 10b
- 11b,FF11A,FF11B
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16c
- FF17
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 22b
- 24b,24c,24d,24e
- 25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37, FF37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- 44
- 47a,47b
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 54
- 56
- 59b
- 60c

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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60



There are no major flaws identified on the Dec 1946 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of the exhibit.



Jun 1951
Requisition: 3412/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 520 sheets
Quantity to CA: 293 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 227 sheets dispatched 14 Jun 1951
Issued: 9 Sep 1951

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: deep green
Frame: dull red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head: aniline reaction
Frame:

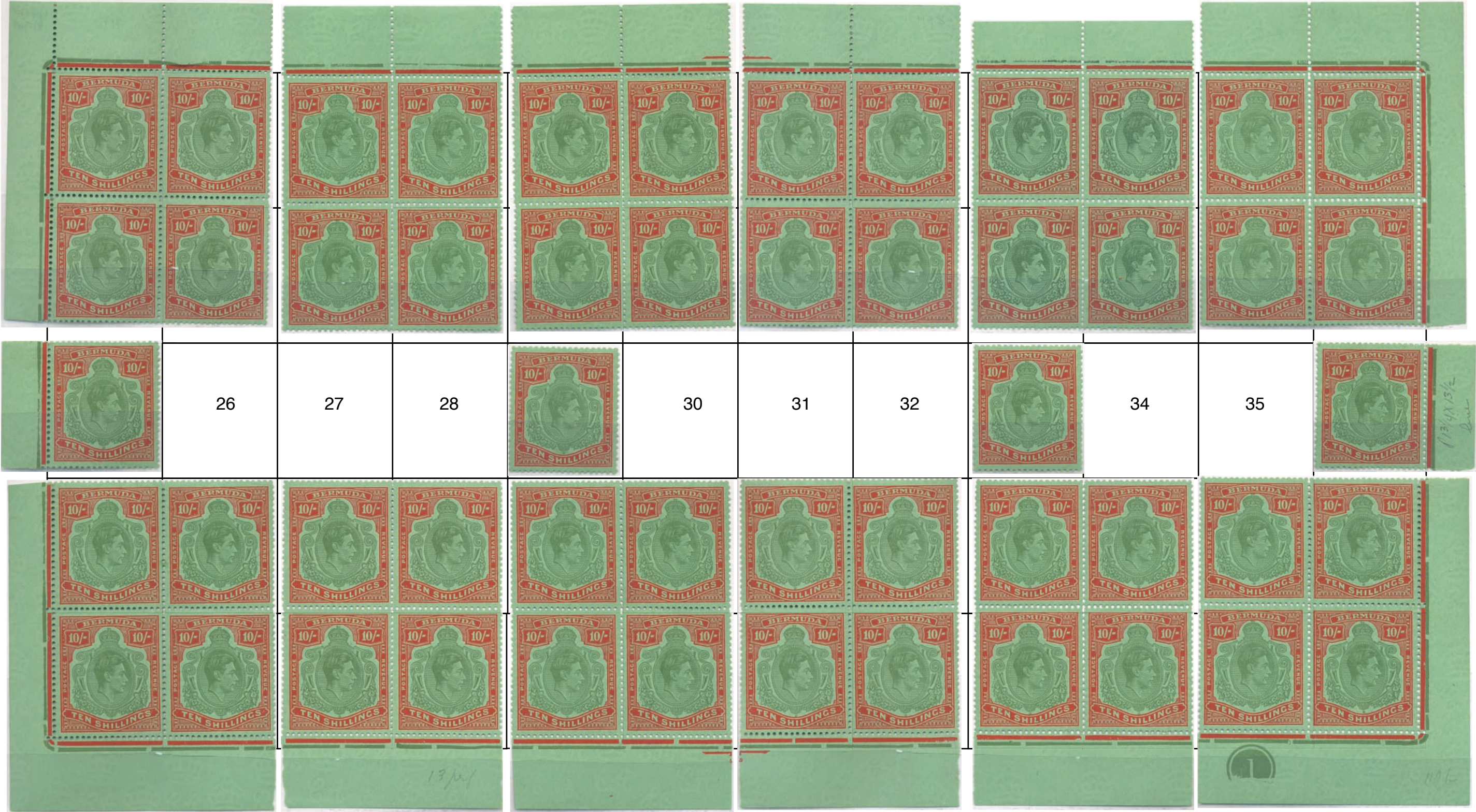
Printings of the Bermuda 10/ continued

There are no major flaws identified on the Jan 1951 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of the exhibit.

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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c
2a,2b,2c,2d
3
4a,4b
FF5
6a,6b
7a,7b,7c
8a,8b,8c, FF8
9a,9b
10b
11b,FF11A,FF11B
12b
13a,13b,13c
14a,14b
15a,15b,15c,15d
16a,16b,16c
17b, FF17
20a,20b,20c
21b,21c,21e
22b
24b,24c,24d
25
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27a,27b
28a,28c
29a,29b,29c,29d
33a,33b
36
37, FF37
38a,38c
39
40a,40b
41
47a,47b
48
49a,49c
50
51
52a,52b
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59b
60b,60c



Jan 1953
Requisition: 3641/3
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 625 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 525 sheets dispatched 23 Jan 1953
Issued: 16 Apr 1953

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: ldeep green
Frame: dull red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings of the Bermuda 10/ continued

There are no major flaws identified on the Jan 1953 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of this exhibit

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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw numbers

- 1a
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8a,8b,8c, FF8
- 9a
- 10b
- FF11B
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b, FF17
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 24c,24d
- 25
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28b,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37, FF37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- 47a,47b
- 48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 54
- 56
- 59b
- 60c



Printings of the Bermuda 10/ continued

The Bermuda 10/ major flaws identified in red on the previous pages are mainly mint copies. Below are used copies of some of the 10/ Bermuda major flaws.

May 1941
Line Perf



May 1941
Line Perf



May 1941
Line Perf



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Flaw 59i
Break in top
right scroll



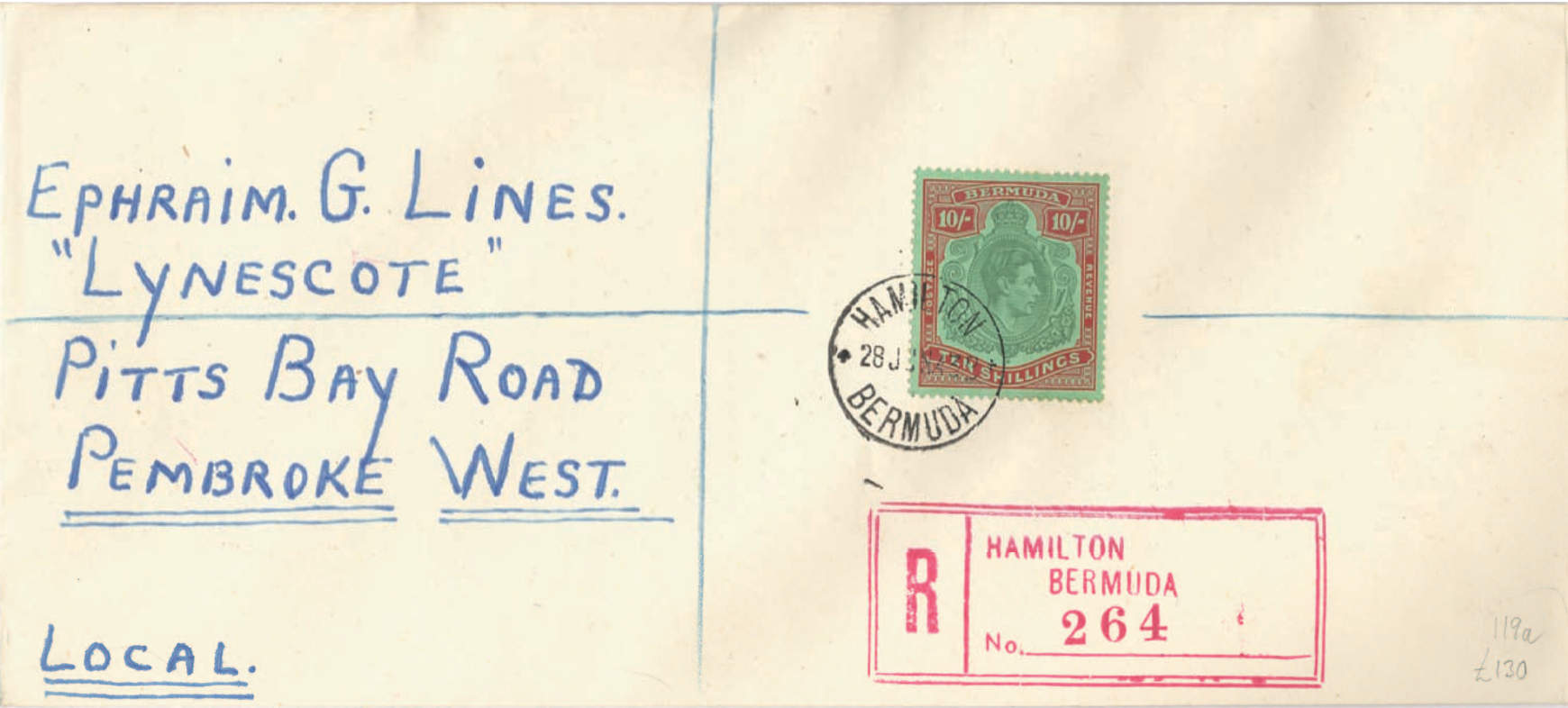
Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll

Bermuda 10/ used for postal purposes.

The 10/ saw very limited postal use and are quite rare on commercially used cover or piece. Most used copies were cancelled to order and the vast majority of covers bearing the 10/ are philatelic creations.



Bermuda 10/ Nov 1944 on registered airmail cover to New York postmarked Mar 1953. Arrived New York 23 Mar 1953.



Bermuda 10/ Jan 1939 on self-addressed envelope registered by Ephraim Lines from Hamilton to Pembroke West. Cancelled 28 Jun 1943 with a registration handstamp.



Bermuda 10/ Nov 1937 on self-addressed envelope registered by Morris Ludington from Mangrove Bay to Pembroke. Cancelled 9 Mar 1948 with a further strike and registration handstamp. On the reverse Ludington confirms the stamp was purchased from the Mangrove Bay Post Office on this date. A very late use of the first printing and interesting that the post office still had a first printing 10 years after it was released. The more likely scenario is that Mr. Ludington had the stamp and simply had the post office mail it to himself.

Ex Doslgoesser. Ballie, Foxley



12/6 Frame Plate

No Die proofs are known with markings
Believed to be 2 examples

Nov 1937
Requisition: 2046/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 1983 sheets
Quantity to CA: 90 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 1893 sheets dispatched 22 Nov 1937
Issued: 20 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: grey (shades)
Frame: brownish orange

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: greyish
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 20 Jan 1938

Specimen



Proving first printing



Ex Pitts



Mar 38 postmark proves 1937 printing



Flaw 39
Break in leaf
joining fruit

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6

Jul 1938
Requisition: 2046/6
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 510 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 510 sheets dispatched 5 Jul 1938
Issued: unknown
Earliest known use Nov 1939

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: deep grey
Frame: deep brownish orange

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: greyish
Head:
Frame: dull brown

Aug 1938
Requisition: 2046/7
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 810 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 810 sheets dispatched 24 Aug 1938
Issued: unknown
Earliest known use Nov 1939

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: grey
Frame: pale brownish orange

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: greyish
Head:
Frame: dull brown

The first three printings of the Bermuda 12/6 are sometimes difficult to distinguish. They were printed closely together within the same requisition because much of the Nov 1937 printing was destroyed due to damage by adhesion. The two 1938 printings have the same listed flaws so the exhibit shows them together.

Jul 1939
Requisition: 2046/7
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 494 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 494 sheets dispatched 28 Jul 1939
Issued: unknown
Earliest known use 9 Nov 1940

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: pale grey
Frame: pale yellow orange

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: greyish
Head:
Frame: brown

Flaw 1a
Pearl
cracked
borders



Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



Flaw 12a
damage left
leaves



Flaw 1a
Pearl
Cracked
Borders



Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



FF25
Notch above
O of
POSTAGE



Jul 1938



Ex Foxley

Flaw 28a
White dot
right of lip



Flaw 47a
Flaw in third
left leaf



Aug 1938



Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



FF25
Notch above
O of
POSTAGE



Flaw 28a
White dot
right of lip



Flaw 47a
Flaw in
third
left leaf



Ex Pitts



Oct 1940
Requisition: 2534/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 1023 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 1023 sheets dispatched 9 Oct 1940
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: grey (shades)
Frame: dull yellow orange

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

Mar 1943
Requisition: 2628/4
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 91 sheets
Quantity to CA: 91 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 0 sheets
Issued: 5 Mar 1943
This requisition was printed to provide stamps for the new Crown Agents stamp sales Bureau


Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: pale bluish grey
Frame: orange yellow

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: deep violet
Head:
Frame: red brown


Earliest known use 21 Nov 1941

Earliest known use 2 Mar 1944


Flaw 33a
Enlarged
flower




Flaw 21d
Knotches
in scroll




Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck




Flaw 12a
damage left
leaves




Flaw 17a
Gash in chin




Flaw 47a
Flaw in
third
left leaf




Major flaw upper
left scroll - unknown
position - not identified
by Yendall




Flaw 37
Notch
in leaf




Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls




Flaw 59ii
Upper
Scroll
Repair




Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll




Flaw 45b
Shaved
scroll




Flaw 47a
Flaw in
third
left leaf




Flaw 49a
Two damaged
areas in lower
right scroll



Flaw 50ii
Flattened
scroll





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Ex Luddington

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Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

Flaw 12b
Missing Leaf
Tip Right

Flaw 24c
Break in
Left Crown

A close-up of a 126 British postage stamp featuring King George VI. A black arrow points to the perforations on the right side of the stamp.

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Flaw 47a
Flaw in third
left leaf

Flaw 47b
Break in third
right leaf

Flaw 60c
Break in Left
Crown Jewel

Dec 1946
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 999 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets plus 137 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 935? sheets (plus 13? old stock) dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: 11 Dec 1946

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: grey
Frame: orange yellow

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: pale violet
Head: grey
Frame:


Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

Jun 1948
Requisition: 2951/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 1020 sheets
Quantity to CA: 133? exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 886? sheets (plus 113? old stock) dispatched 24 Jun 1948
Issued: 21 Jul 1948


Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: grey
Frame: deep yellow orange

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: pale violet
Head:
Frame: bright yellow brown

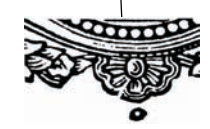
Flaw 29c
Chip in line




Flaw 29b
Break in garland




Flaw 29a
Cut in scallop




Flaw 54
Dent in lower left scroll




Flaw 20a
Dot in front of neck







Flaw 8c
Break above left crown jewel




Flaw 21e
Nick in scroll




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19		


Flaw 1a
Pearl Cracked Borders




Flaw 2b
Break in crown base




Flaw 2a
Joined pearls



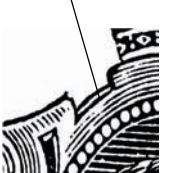
Flaw 48
Mark in front of eye




Flaw 1c
Shaved scroll




Flaw 2d
Spur on scroll




Proves Jun 1948 printing




Flaw 21a
Break in lower leaf




Flaw 37
Notch in leaf




Flaw 38a
Slice in shield




Flaw 47a
Break in leaf



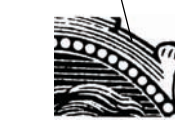
Flaw 49c
Dent in scroll




Flaw 49a
Two damaged areas in lower right scroll



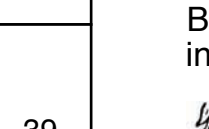






Flaw 50ii
Flattened scroll




Flaw 60c
Slit in crown base




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Flaw 40a
Break between scroll and crown




Flaw 56
Spur on scroll




Flaw 11b
Unprinted area above scallop



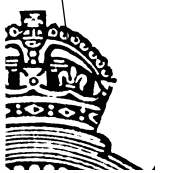
Flaw 12b
Missing leaf tip








Flaw 24c
Break above left crown jewel




Flaw 23
Crack in crown



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Aug 1950
Requisition: 3280/2
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Chalk surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 1085 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets plus 100 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 935 sheets (plus 100 old stock) dispatched 18 & 24 Aug 1950
Issued: Oct 1950

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: grey
Frame: pale orange yellow

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

Jun 1951
Requisition: 3280/2
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Chalk surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 525 and 2250 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets plus 667 and 587 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 4587 & 22417 sheets (plus 125 old stock) dispatched 11 & 14 Jun 1951
Issued: 19 Sep 1951

Daylight colours
Paper: white
Head: deep bluish grey
Frame: pale orange yellow

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Ex-Pitts

Flaw 9a White lip

Flaw 21d Knotches in scroll

Flaw 33b Dot in front of neck

Flaw 14a Line in scroll

Flaw 14b Crack in line

Flaw 59b Break in Left Crown Jewel

Flaw 10b Scallop in Left Crown

Flaw 15a Scratch above head

Flaw 15b Chip in scroll

Flaw 15d Scratch in hair

Flaw 15b Chip in scroll

Flaw 16a Spur on scroll

Flaw 16b Gouge in crown base

Flaw 16c Break in jewel band

Flaw 13c Break above left crown jewel

Flaw 13a Shaved leaf

Flaw 54 Notch in scroll

Flaw 37 deformed leaf

Flaw 47a Break in leaf

Flaw 48 Mark in front of eye

Flaw 60a Small scroll break

Flaw 60b Small scroll break

Flaw 60c Slit in crown base

Flaw 59b Break in right crown jewel

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Ex-Foxley

Postmarked Nov 1, 1950 proves Aug 1950 earliest printing of this perf

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Sep 1952
Requisition: 3591/2
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 2282 sheets
Quantity to CA: 150 sheets plus 78? exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 2053? sheets (plus 78? old stock) dispatched 4 Sep 1952
Issued: 4 Jul 1952
Earliest known use 31 Oct 1952

Daylight colours
Paper: yellow
Head: deep green
Frame: bright red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper: greyish yellow
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

There are no major flaws identified on the Sep 1952 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of this exhibit

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8a,8b,8c
- 9a,9b
- 10b
- FF11B
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 24c,24d
- 25,FF25
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28b,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37
- 39
- 40a,40b
- 41
- 47a,47b
- 48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 56
- 59b
- 60c





On June 18, 1947 this cover was sent to Karel Basik (a stamp dealer) in Prague numbered 13 at left with registration label no '6735', backstamped June 23 arrival. Previously associated with the so-called 'lemon' printing, the Prague covers continue to attract attention and controversy. It has, for instance, been suggested that these are chemically induced forgeries yet the evidence for this may be otherwise interpreted. Chemical analysis would appear to have discounted the possibility of replacement of the original surface. With their inks compatible with the 1939 and 1940 dispatches, it has been convincingly suggested that these stamps may have been printed on one or more sheets of non-chalk coated paper used for the paper supply for one or more of the earlier printings. One theory notes that a supply of sheets from early printings sent in 1946 direct from the Treasury in Bermuda to the Customs and Excise Department for use mainly as a Poll Tax stamp may have included one or more such sheets. Some of this supply was then passed for fiscal use to shipping companies and airlines, from one of which this usage has been said to originate. It is assumed that up to around 15 such covers bearing these shades may have been dispatched, although fewer than this number have been recorded.

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

The 12/6 saw very limited postal use and are quite rare on commercially used cover or piece. Most used copies were cancelled to order and the vast majority of covers bearing the 12/6 are philatelic creations. Otherwise the 12/6 was primarily used for revenue purposes. Flaws on cover are interesting.

Bermuda 12/6 used for postal purposes.



Bermuda 12/6 Nov 1937 printing on airmail piece with first printings of the 2/6, 5/ and £1. It is probable that this is actual usage as it would be highly unlikely that a philatelic usage would include two 1/ stamps vs a 2/ keyplate. It was likely a parcel that covered not only the postage to the destination but also the maximum insured value which would have been \$400.

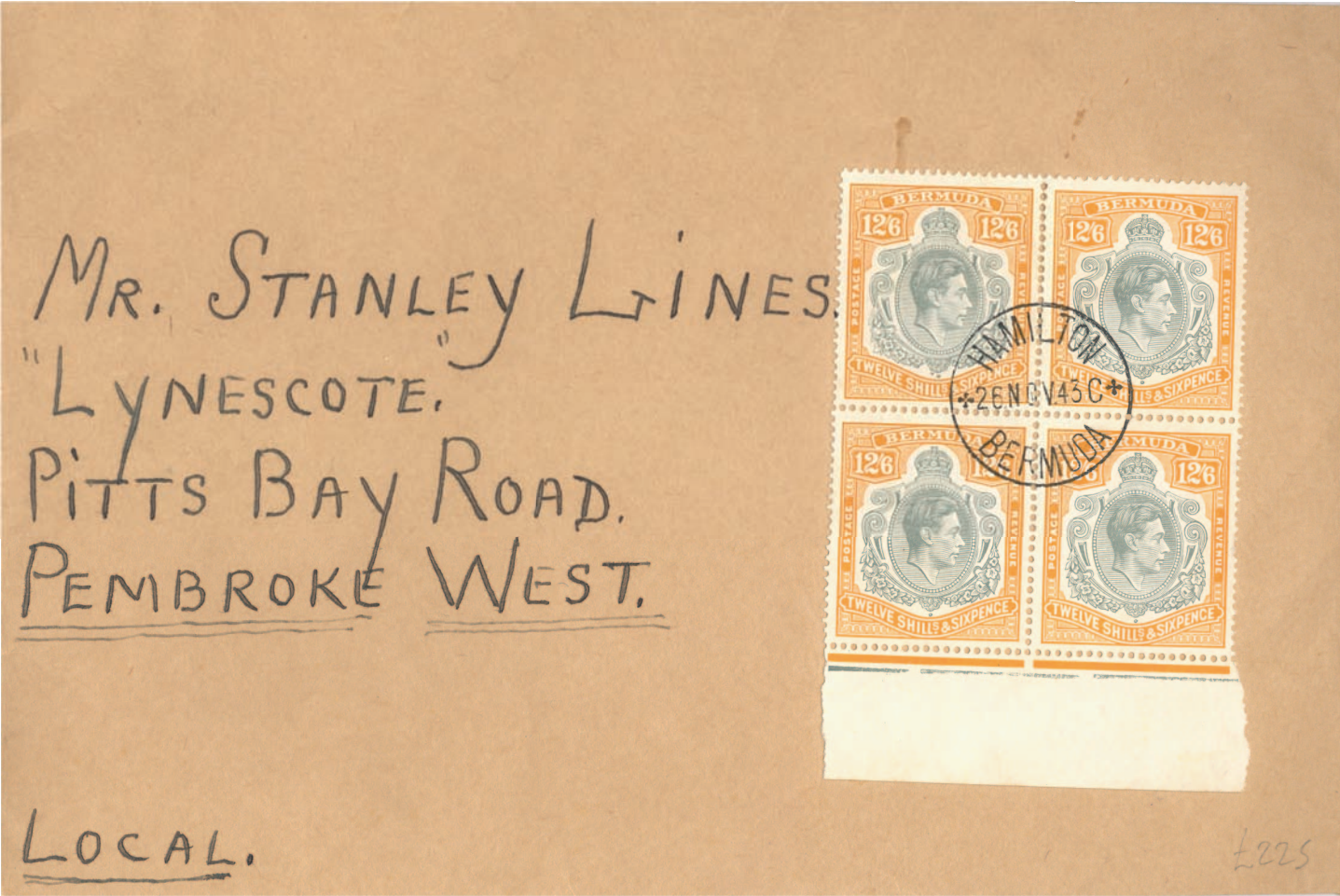


Bermuda 12/6 July 1939 printing on registered airmail philatelic cover to England from positions 28-29 with flaw 29a. Cancelled Air Mail GPO 28 Sep 1950.



Flaw 28a Dot in front of lip

Bermuda 12/6 Oct 1940 printing local philatelic cover, block of 4 from positions 45-46, 57-58 with flaws 45a and 45b which confirm the printing. Cancelled in Hamilton 26 Nov 1943.



Mustard Shade



This stamp has been analyzed and reviewed by numerous experts, including Foxley, Wirth, Kugel, Wilson Wong, Glazer and Dickgiesser. In summary:

1. the stamp is not from any printing prior to Mar 43
2. the x-ray spectrum does not match the Mar 43, Dec 46 or Jun 48 printings
3. the spectrum and hue are close to the lemon yellow, but the stamp under UV points away from the lemon yellow.

Persumably there are several shades attributed to the Jun 46 printing, among them the lemon yellow, the Prague shade and this darker shade



Flaw 45a Blunt leaf



Flaw 45b Shaved scroll

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda 12/6 continued

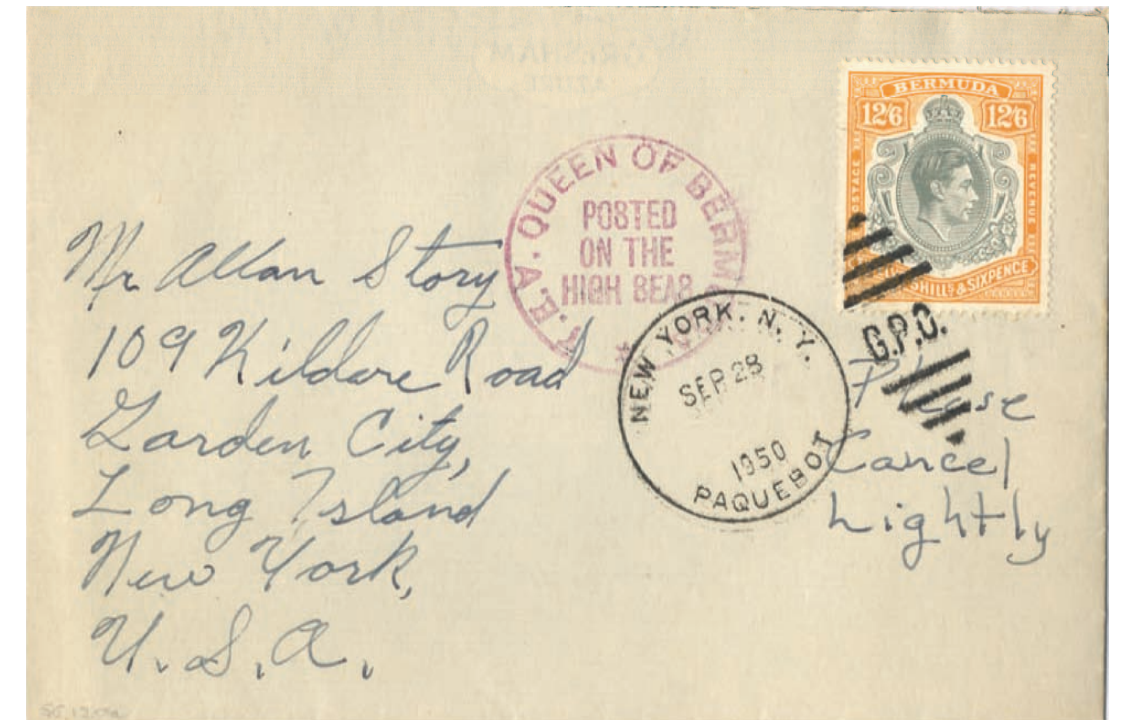
Bermuda 12/6 used for postal purposes.

Ex-Pitts



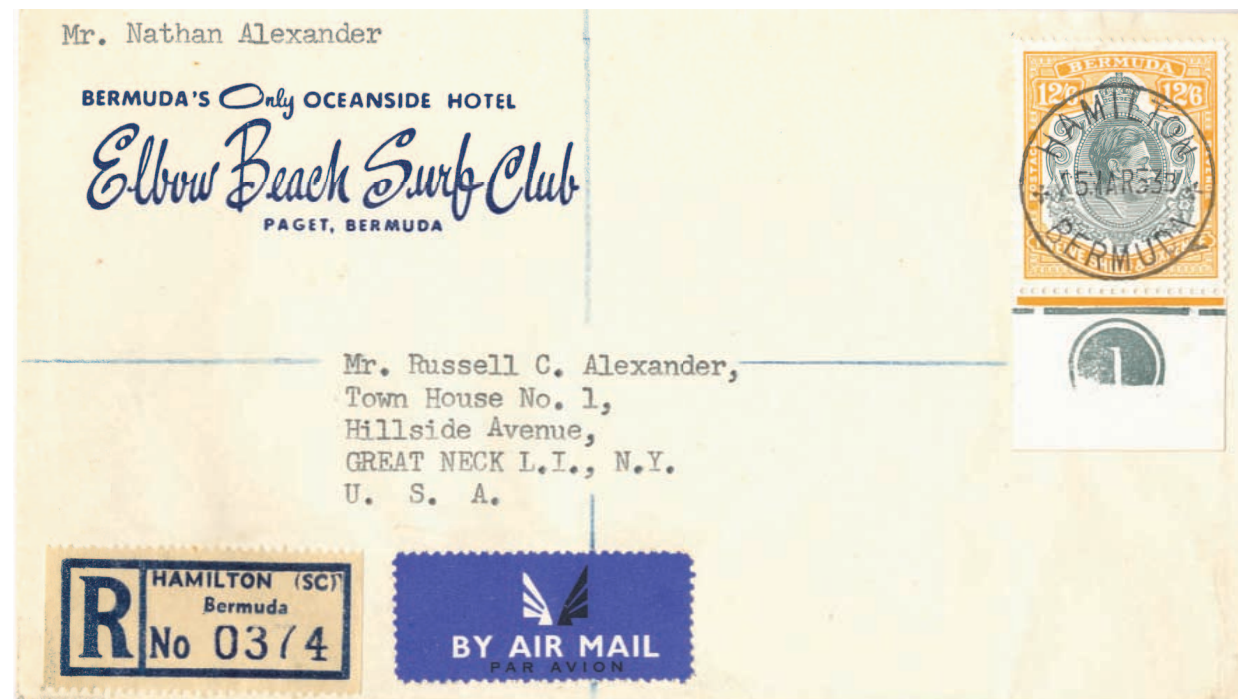
Flaw 56
Spike on
scroll

Bermuda 12/6 Dec 1946 printing on registered philatelic cover with flaw 56. Cancelled Air Mail GPO 13 Apr 1948.



Bermuda 12/6 Jun 1948 printing on philatelic cover (Furness Line logo on flap) to New York cancelled by New York Paquebot G.P.O. duplex 28 Sept 1950 and partially over-cancelling Queen of Bermuda "POSTED ON THE HIGH SEAS" cachet.

Ex Reid Shaw
Ex-Pitts



Bermuda 12/6 Sep 1952 printing on philatelic registered cover to New York postmarked Hamilton 25 Mar 1953 with matching registration etiquette. It is an advertising cover mailed after the death of KGVII but before the coronation of QEII. It is position 59 but Flaw 59b is blocked by the postmark. The plate plug proves the printing.



Bermuda 12/6 Aug 1950 printing on philatelic registered cover to Switzerland, postmarked St. Georges 1 Apr 1954 with matching registration etiquette. This letter arrived in Berne on the 4 Apr 1954. The dates are after the death of KGVII.

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1



Proving first printing

FF1b Line joining £1

FF2 State I Joined ER

FF1a state 1 Break above E of Postage



Ex-Foxley

Nov 1937
Requisition: 2046/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 155 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 105 sheets dispatched 22 Nov 1937
Issued: 20 Jan 1938
Paper shades are known

Daylight colours
Paper: red
Head: plake red purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Specimen



Proving first printing

No Die proofs are known with markings. **Believed between 3 and 5 examples recorded**



Flaw 10a/11a Dot at neck

£1 Frame Plate

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36

FF17 Break under E

Flaw 39 Break between leaf and flowers



Ex-Pitts

Ex-Pitts



FF40 Break in panel

14 Mar 1938 proves first printing

Plate plug proves first printing

Jul 1941
Requisition: 2601/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 181 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 181 sheets dispatched 18 Jul 1941
Issued: unknown
Earliest known use 10 Oct 1941

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: pale purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1 continued

There is a very subtle difference between these two printings. The head colour is slightly different so they are best viewed together as over time even these colours can vary slightly.

Mar 1943
Requisition: 2628/4
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 95 sheets
Quantity to CA: 95 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 0 sheets
Issued: 5 Mar 1943
Earliest known use 20 Jun 1944
This requisition was printed to provide stamps for the new Crown Agents stamp sales Bureau

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Flaw 11a
Dot at neck

Ex Uridil

Flaw 12a
Damage left leaves

Flaw 12c
Mashed pearls

Flaw 28a
Dot in front of lip

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin

10

22

Flaw 1a
Pearl Cracked Borders

Flaw 1b
Shading omitted in upper right scroll only on this printing

FF1a state 1
Break above E of Postage

Flaw 1c
Shaved scroll

FF2 State III
Joined ER

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin

3

15

Flaw 47a
Break in leaf

Flaw 41
Upside Down Y Scratch Behind Head

40

52

Flaw 54
Notch in scroll

Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll

Flaw 59ii
Upper Scroll Repair

46

58

Plate plug proves July 1941 printing

Flaw 13c
Break above left crown jewel

Flaw 13a
Sliced leaf

Flaw 4b
Dot Above Left Hair

Ex-Pitts

Flaw 4a
Vertical Slice Cutting Left Scroll And Second Leaf Tip

Flaw 47a
Break in leaf

Flaw 59ii
Upper Scroll Repair

Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll

Ex Luddington

46

58

Plate plug proves Mar 1943 printing

Jun 1945
Requisition: 2766/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 252 sheets
Quantity to CA: 150 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 102 sheets dispatched 9 & 10 Jun 1945
Issued: July 1945
Earliest known use ?

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: deep purple
Frame: jet black
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1 continued

There is a very subtle difference between these two printings. The head colour is slightly different and the difference in the frame colour is very hard to see. The frame flaws are identical with the exception of stamp 40 and Flaw 40b. They are best viewed together as over time even these colours can vary slightly.

Dec 1946
Requisition: 2835/2
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 470 sheets
Quantity to CA: 1317 sheets exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 3387 sheets (plus 1317 old stock) dispatched 4 Dec 1946
Issued: 11 Dec 1946
Earliest known use: 1949

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: bluish purple
Frame: black
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

FF1a
state 3
Break
above E
of Postage

Flaw 13a
Sliced
leaf

Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel

Flaw 37
Broken
leaf

Flaw 49c
Dent in
scroll

Flaw 49aii
Scratch
in scroll

Flaw 1c
Shaved
scroll

Flaw 1a
Pearl
Cracked
Borders

Flaw 2c
Breaks
in
jewel

Flaw 2a
Joined
pearls

Flaw 38c
Crack in
pearls

Flaw 50ii
Flattened
scroll

Flaw 59b
Two jewels
connected

Flaw 11b
Unprinted area
above scallop

Flaw 12b
Missing
leaf tip

Flaw 24e
Break in
crown base

Flaw 24b
Break in
leaf
shading

Flaw 39
Break between
leaf and flowers

Flaw 51
Cut to
centre line

Flaw 52a
Broken
leaf

Flaw 60c
Break in
crown base

Same flaws as June 45 block to the left

Flaw 40a
Chip Left
Crown Base

Flaw 40b
Dent in
Scroll

Flaw 52b
Pearl
extension

Flaw 10b
Scallop in
Left Crown

Flaw 22b
Chipped
scroll

Same flaws as June 45 block to the left

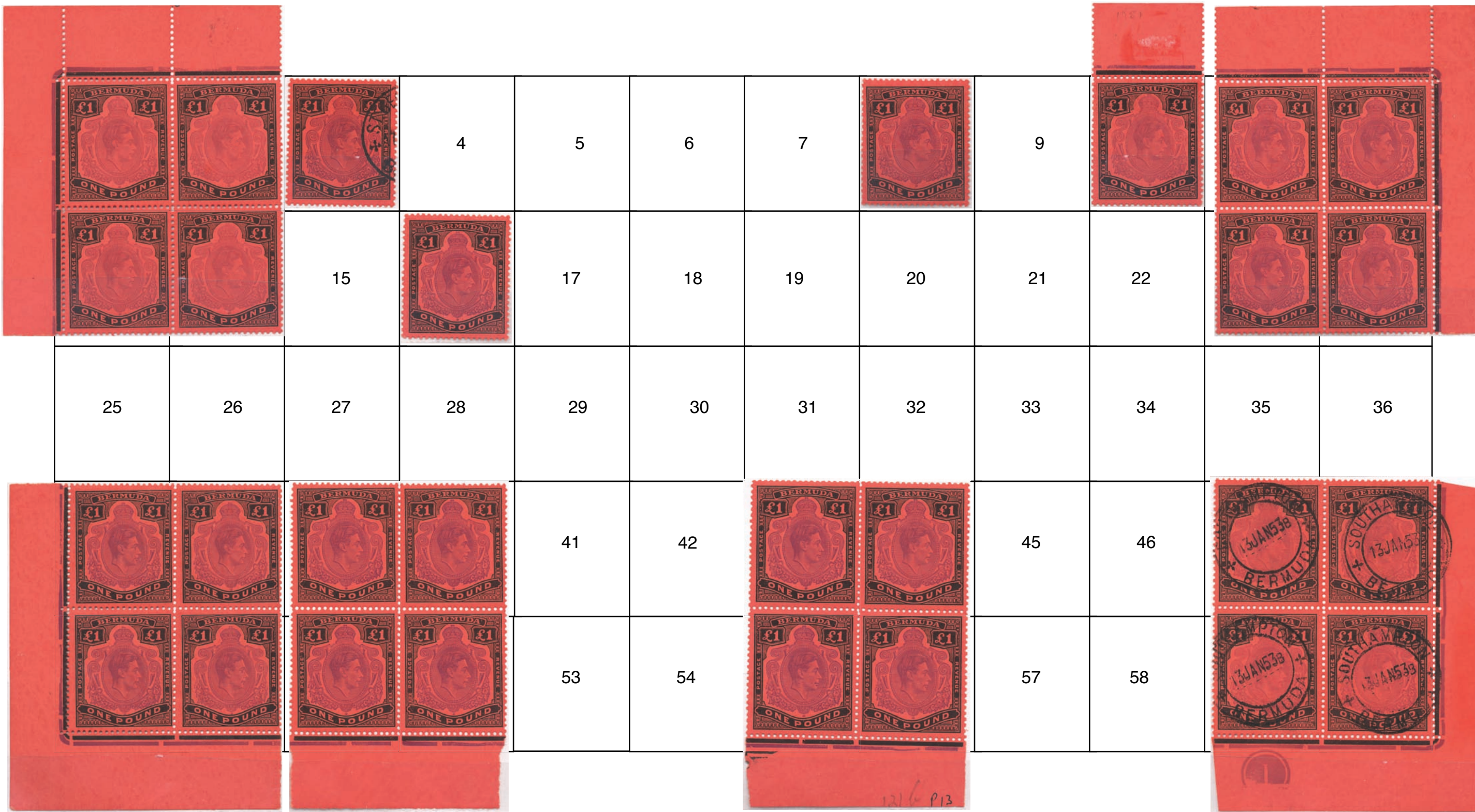
Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

There are no major flaws identified on the Nov 1951 printing. The minor flaw locations are identified opposite and the flaw numbers are to the left of the sheet. The majority of these flaws are pictorially represented on other pages of the exhibit.

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13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

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1a,1c, FFA
2a,2b,2c,2d
3
4a
6a,6b
7a,7b,7c
8a,8b,8c
9a,9b
10b
11b, FF11
12b
13a,13b,13c
14a,14b
15a,15b,15c,15d
16a,16b,16c
17b, FF17
20a,20b,20c
21b,21c,21e
24b,24c,24d
25
26
27a,27b
28a
29a,29b,29c,29d
31
33a,33b
36
37
38a,38c
39
40a,40b, FF40
41
47a,47b
48
49a,49c
50
51
52a,52b
54
56
59b
60b,60c



Apr 1952
Requisition: 3503/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 800 sheets
Quantity to CA: 300 sheets plus 200 exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 300 sheets (plus 200 old stock) dispatched 9 Apr 1952
Issued: 18 Jun 1952(London)

Daylight colours
Paper: bright red
Head: pale violet (indistinct)
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

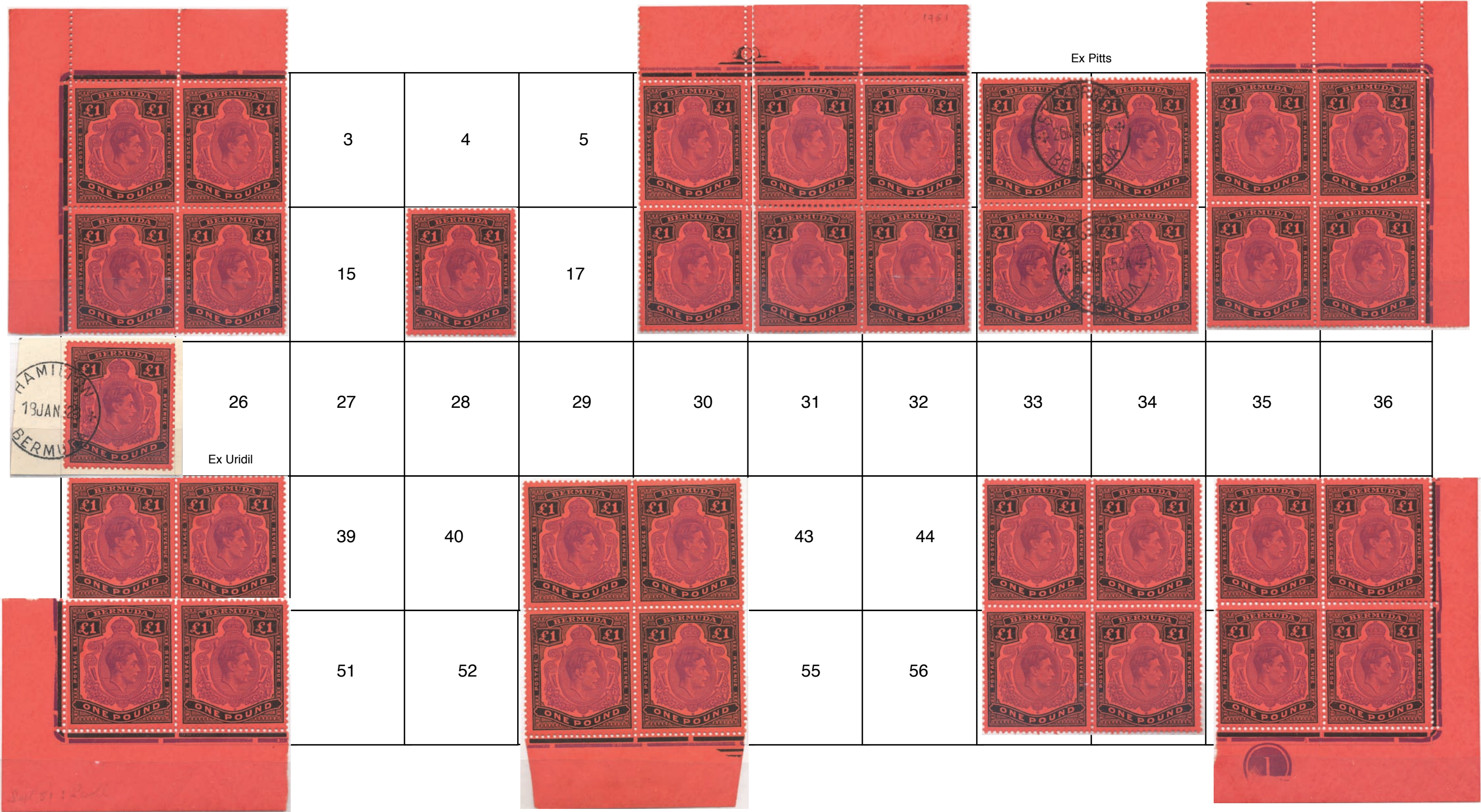
Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1 continued

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37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw numbers

- 1a,1c, FFA
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8a,8b,8c
- 9a,9b
- 10b
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b, FF17
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 24b,24c,24d
- 25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28b,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b, FF40
- 41
- 47a,47b
- 48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 56
- 59b
- 60b,60c



Oct 1952

Requisition: 3602/1

Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb

Paper: Chalk-surfaced

Gum: Clear

Quantity Printed: 1050 sheets

Quantity to CA: 316? sheets

Quantity to Colony: 733? sheets (plus 316? old stock) dispatched 15 & 22 Oct 1952

Issued: 18 Jun 1952

Daylight colours

Paper: yellow

Head: deep green

Frame: bright red

Ultraviolet colours

Paper: greyish yellow

Head:

Frame:

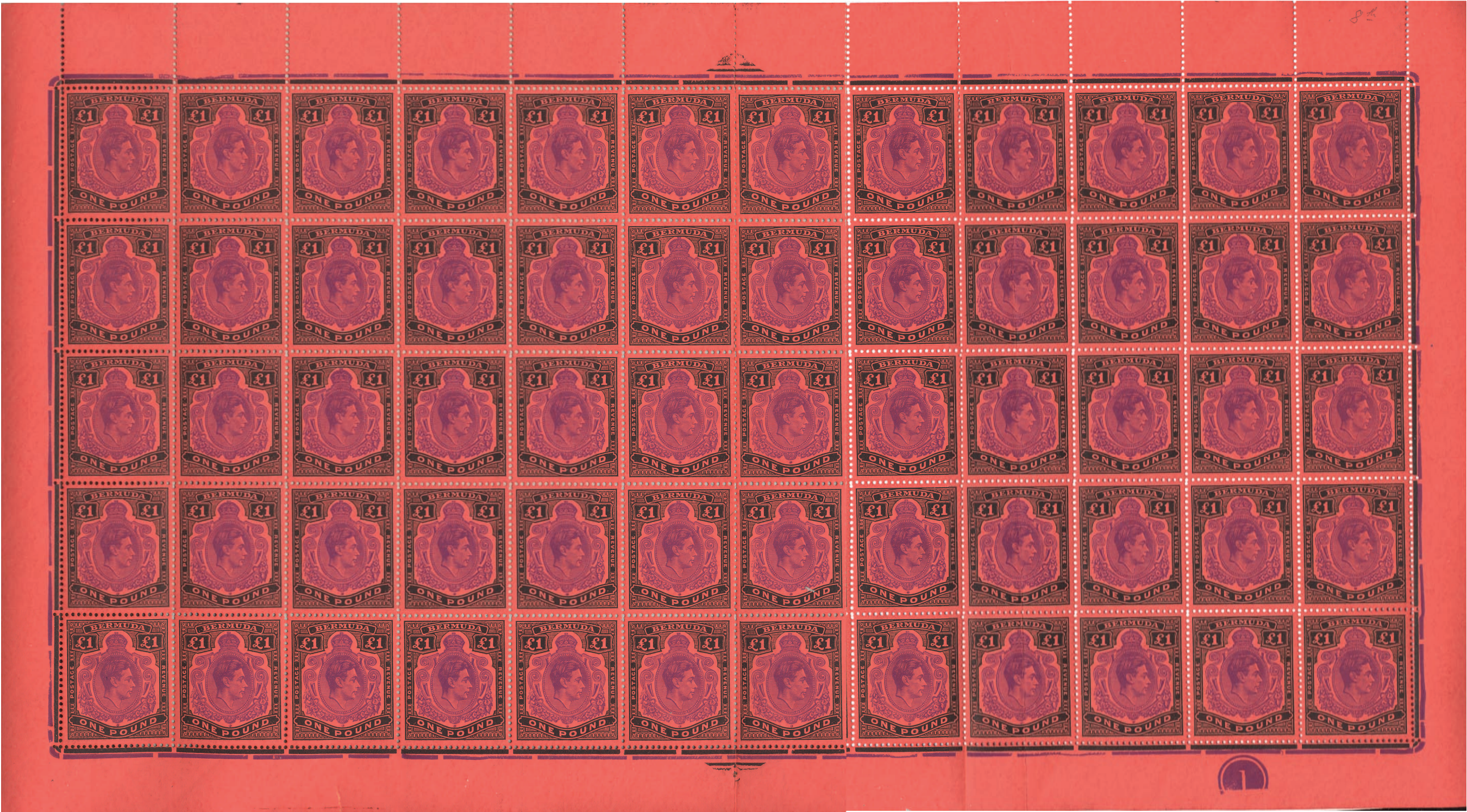
Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1 continued

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60

Flaw numbers

- 1a,FF1A
- 2a,2b,2c,2d
- 3
- 4a
- 6a,6b
- 7a,7b,7c
- 8a,8b,8c
- 9a,9b
- 10b
- 12b
- 13a,13b,13c
- 14a,14b
- 15a,15b,15c,15d
- 16a,16b,16c
- 17b, FF17
- 20a,20b,20c
- 21b,21c,21e
- 24c,24
- 25
- 26
- 27a,27b
- 28a,28b,28c
- 29a,29b,29c,29d
- 31
- 33a,33b
- 36
- 37
- 38a,38c
- 39
- 40a,40b,FF40
- 41
- 47a,47b
- 48
- 49a,49c
- 50
- 51
- 52a,52b
- 56
- 59b
- 60b,60c



Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1 continued

The Bermuda 1£ major flaws identified in red on the previous pages are mint copies . Below are used copies of 1£ Bermuda major flaws and an excellent colour variation.



FF2
State I
Joined
ER



Nov 1937



Jul 1941



Jul 1941

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Mar 1943



Jul 1941

Flaw 60
Break in
lower
right scroll



Mar 1943

This stamp came from the Dickgiesser collection. He described it as violent black and it is the deepest black. It is likely an overinked copy but it is the only one the exhibitor has seen.



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Bermuda 10/ Sep 1941 Line Perf on piece with £1 Jul 1941 to Australia on 10 Mar 1945. This OHMS posting paid the 3 oz registered airmail rate. This would have routed via New York, San Francisco, Hawaii, Brisbane to Sydney.

Bermuda £1 used for postal purposes.



Bermuda £1 Mar 1943 printing on local philatelic cover , postmarked Hamilton 3 Oct 1944 .

Printings and flaws of the Bermuda £1 continued



Flaw 56
Spur on
scroll



Bermuda £1 Jul 1941 printing on and OHMS philatelic registered cover to Canada, postmarked AIRMAIL GPO 30 Jul 1945 with Hamilton registration etiquette. This letter arrived in Montral on the 4 Aug 1945.



Bermuda £1 Jun 1945 printing on philatelic registered cover to England, postmarked Hamilton 10 Oct 1949 with matching registration etiquette. No backstamps indicating arrival date. This is stamp 56.



Bermuda £1 Dec 1946 printing on philatelic registered cover to Switzerland, postmarked Hamilton with matching registration etiquette. This is stamp 3.



Flaw 3
Break in
jewel and
notch in
base

Oct 1938
Requisition: 894/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 165 sheets
Quantity to CA: 60 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 105 sheets dispatched 8 Oct 1938
Issued: 25 Nov 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: bluish green
Frame: deep red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands 10/

Mar 1942
Requisition: 960/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Brownish
Quantity Printed: 98 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 98 sheets dispatched 4 Mar 1942
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: green
Head: pale green
Frame: pale red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Dec 1943
Requisition: 976/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 253 sheets
Quantity to CA: 167 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 86 sheets dispatched 9 Dec 1943
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: green
Head: green
Frame: red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Specimen and 22 May 1941 date stamp confirm first printing.



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



FF 44
Damaged cliche



Flaw 59i
Break in top right scroll



Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll



FF 44
Damaged cliche



FF 44
Damaged cliche



FF 22
Speckles right of REVENUE



Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands 10/

Jun 1944
Requisition: 976/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 619 sheets
Quantity to CA: 1667 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 4527 sheets dispatched 7 Jun & 12 Aug 1944
Issued: May 1944

Daylight colours
Paper: green, emerald back
Head: deep green
Frame: vermillion

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Flaw 1a
Pearl
cracked
borders



Flaw 1c
Sliced
scroll



Flaw 13a
Broken
leaf



FF 13
Distortion
to P of
POSTAGE
and frameline



Flaw 49a
Two damaged
areas in lower
right scroll



Flaw 49b
Missing pearl

Flaw 39
Break between
leaf and
flowers



Flaw 52a
Notch in
Left Leaf



Flaw 59b
Connected
jewels



Flaw 2a
Joined
pearls



Flaw 20a
Dot at neck



Flaw 20c
Break in
Left Crown



Flaw 40a
Chip Left
Crown Base



Flaw 47a
Flaw in third
left leaf



Flaw 47b
Break in third
right leaf



Flaw 8c
Break in
Left Crown



Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands £1

Dec 1937
Requisition: 870/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 93 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 43 sheets dispatched 25 Nov 1938
Issued: 25 Nov 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: carmine red
Head: redish purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:



Specimen
proves first
printing



Plate plug
above position 2
proves first
printing



Nov 1938
Requisition: 870/2
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 39 sheets
Quantity to CA: 39 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 0
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: carmine red
Head: deep red purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 2 Apr 1939

c - Brandon 9852



Feb 1942
Requisition: 870/2
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 100 sheets
Quantity to CA: 0 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 100 sheets dispatched 3 Feb 1942
Issued: Unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: deep carmine red
Head: deep red-purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

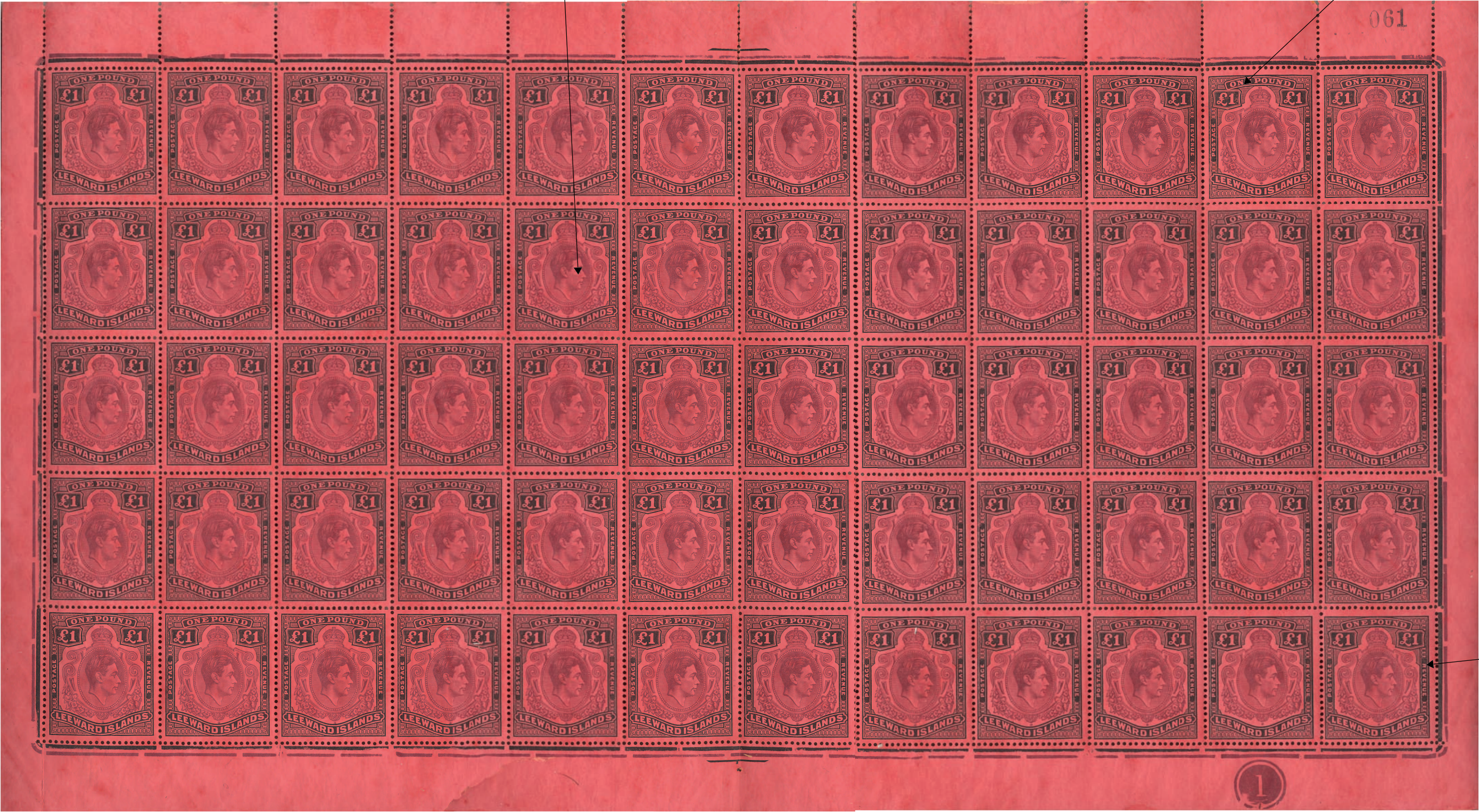
Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands £1

Only the major flaws are identified on this sheet

Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Flaw 11?
Unidentified by Yendall
Only appears on this printing
Legs of Man in Left Value Tablet



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll

Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands £1

Oct 1942
Requisition: 965/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 231 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 181 sheets dispatched 14 Oct & 13 Nov 1942
Issued: Nov 1944

Daylight colours
Paper: deep carmine red
Head: deep red-purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 1947

Flaw 1a
Pearl
Cracked
Borders



Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



Flaw 38c
Crack in
pearls



Flaw 49aii
Scratch
in scroll



Flaw 4a
Sliced second leaf



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Flaw 11b
Unprinted area
above scallop



Flaw 11a
Dot at
neck



Flaw 12a
Damage left
leaves



Flaw 12c
Mashed
pearls



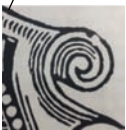
Flaw 24a
Leaf outline
missing



Flaw 36ii
Dent
in
scroll



Flaw 60
Break in lower
right scroll


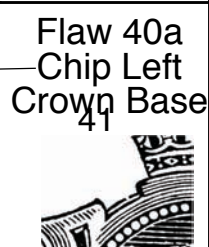


Flaw 39
Break between
leaf and flowers

Flaw 52a
Broken
leaf

Flaw 59ii
Upper
Scroll
Repair



5	6	7	8	9	10
	18	19	20	21	22
29	30	31	32	33	34
	42	43	44	45	46
53	54	55	56	57	58



Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands £1

Dec 1943
Requisition: 976/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 202 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 102 sheets dispatched 9 Dec 1943
Issued: 3 Dec 1943

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: red-purple
Frame: deep black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 22 Feb 1946

Jun 1944
Requisition: 984/1
Perforation: 13.9x18 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 381 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 281 sheets dispatched 7 Jun & 12 Aug 1944
Issued:

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: deep red-purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 5 Feb 1945

Nov 1951
Requisition: 984/1
Perforation: 13.2x13 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Clear
Quantity Printed: 517 sheets
Quantity to CA: 150 sheets plus 6? exchanged
Quantity to Colony: 360? sheets (plus 6? old stock) dispatched 5 Nov 1951
Issued: 13 Dec 1951

Daylight colours
Paper: bright red
Head: violet
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Earliest known use 29 Feb 1952



Flaw 1a
Pearl
Cracked
Borders



Flaw 2a
Joined
pearls



Flaw 52a
Break in
top leaf



Flaw 4a
Sliced second leaf



Flaw 4b
Dot above
head



Flaw 15a
Scratch
above head



Flaw 15b
Chip in
scroll



Flaw 16a
Spur on
scroll



Flaw 49b
Missing
pearl



Flaw 38c
Crack in crown
right pearls



Flaw 12b
Missing Leaf
Tip Right



Flaw 47a
Break
in leaf



Flaw 59b
Break in right
crown jewel



Flaw 60c
Break in Left
Crown Jewel



Flaw 60b
Small
scroll
break



Flaw 48
Mark in
front of eye



Flaw 47a
Break
in leaf



Double
imprssion
of the
frame one
albino



Watermark
Inverted




Watermark
Sideways


Printings and flaws of the Leeward Islands £1

The Leeward Islands 10/ and 1£ major flaws identified in red on the previous pages are mint copies . Below are used copies of a few of these major flaws.


Oct 1938




Dec 1943




May 1942




Feb 1942
c - BPA 95145




Feb 1942




FF 44
Damaged cliché



Flaw 60
Break in lower right scroll



Flaw 17a
Gash in chin



Leeward Islands postal usage

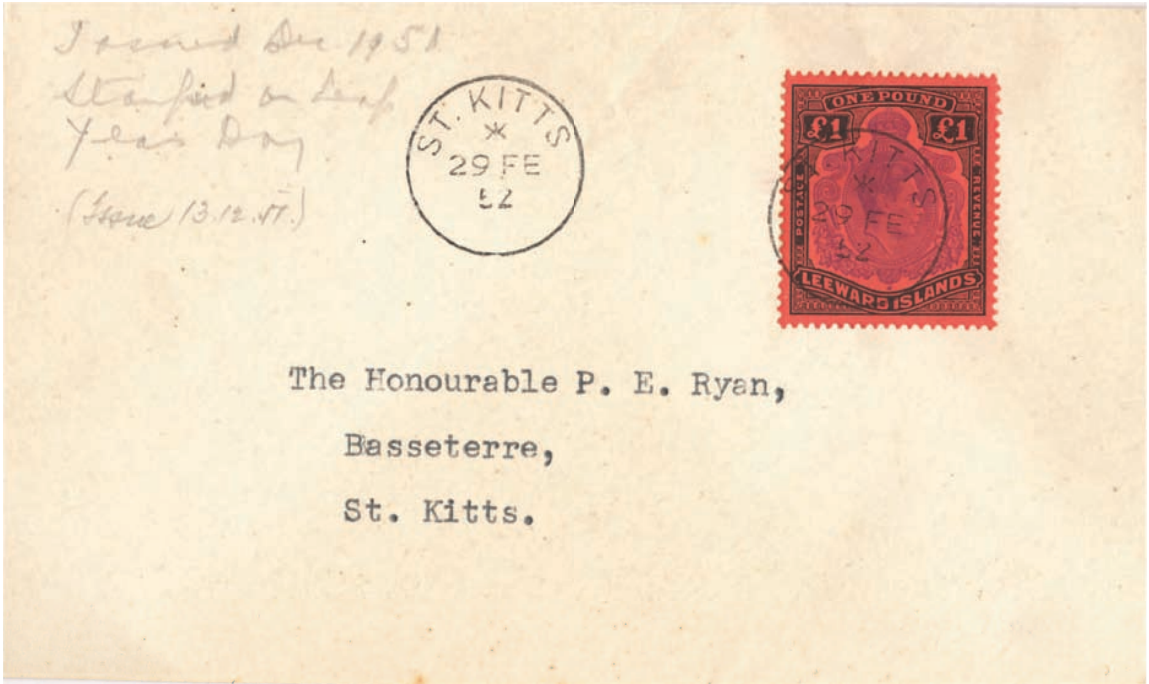
The 10/ and 1£ saw very limited postal use and are quite rare on commercially used cover or piece. Most used copies were cancelled to order and the vast majority of covers bearing these stamps are philatelic creations. Otherwise the 10/ and 1£ were primarily used for revenue purposes.



Leeward Islands 10/ Oct 1938 printing on philatelic cover to England, postmarked St. Johns, Antigua on Nov 28, 1938 which was the first day of issue.



These two covers are philatelic as there was no need to use this level of postage for internal mail. The St. Kitts cover on the right was sent on Leap Year's Day.



Nov 1937
Requisition: 6380/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 2739 sheets
Quantity to CA: 200 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 2539 sheets dispatched 29 Nov & 2 Dec 1937
Issued: 1 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: purple
Frame: deep blue

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Nyasaland 2/



FF 44
Break in
outline



FF 32
Break in
outline below left
of R of REVENUE



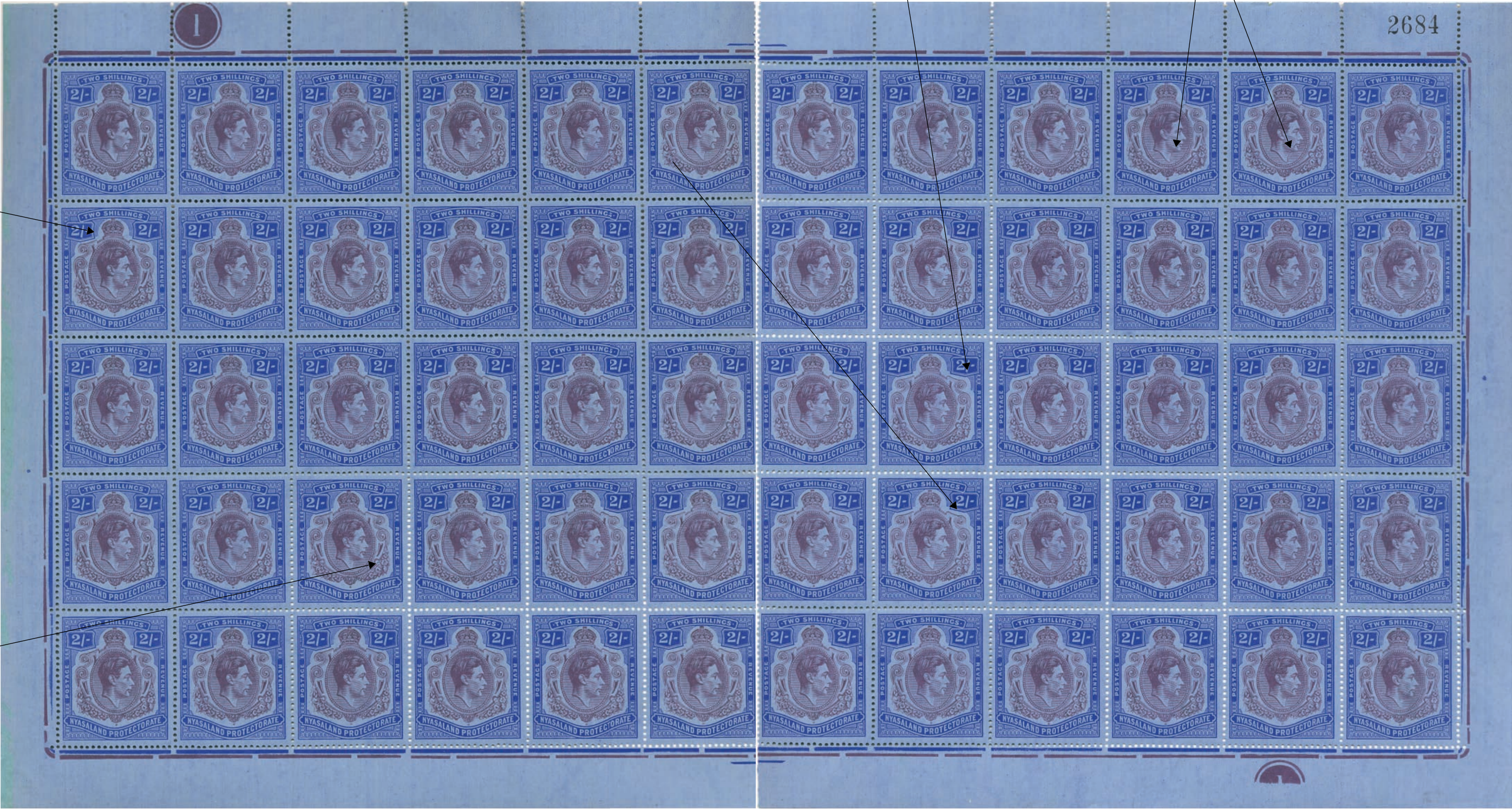
Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



Flaw 39
Break
between
leaf and
flowers



It is interesting to note that Yendall states that sheets for the colony numbered consecutively from 1 upwards. This sheet is number 2684 which is greater than the number of sheets stated as being issued.

Nov 1937
Requisition: 6380/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 1029 sheets
Quantity to CA: 200 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 829 sheets dispatched 29 Nov & 2 Dec 1937
Issued: 1 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: grey-blue
Head: black
Frame: carmine red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Nyasaland 2/6

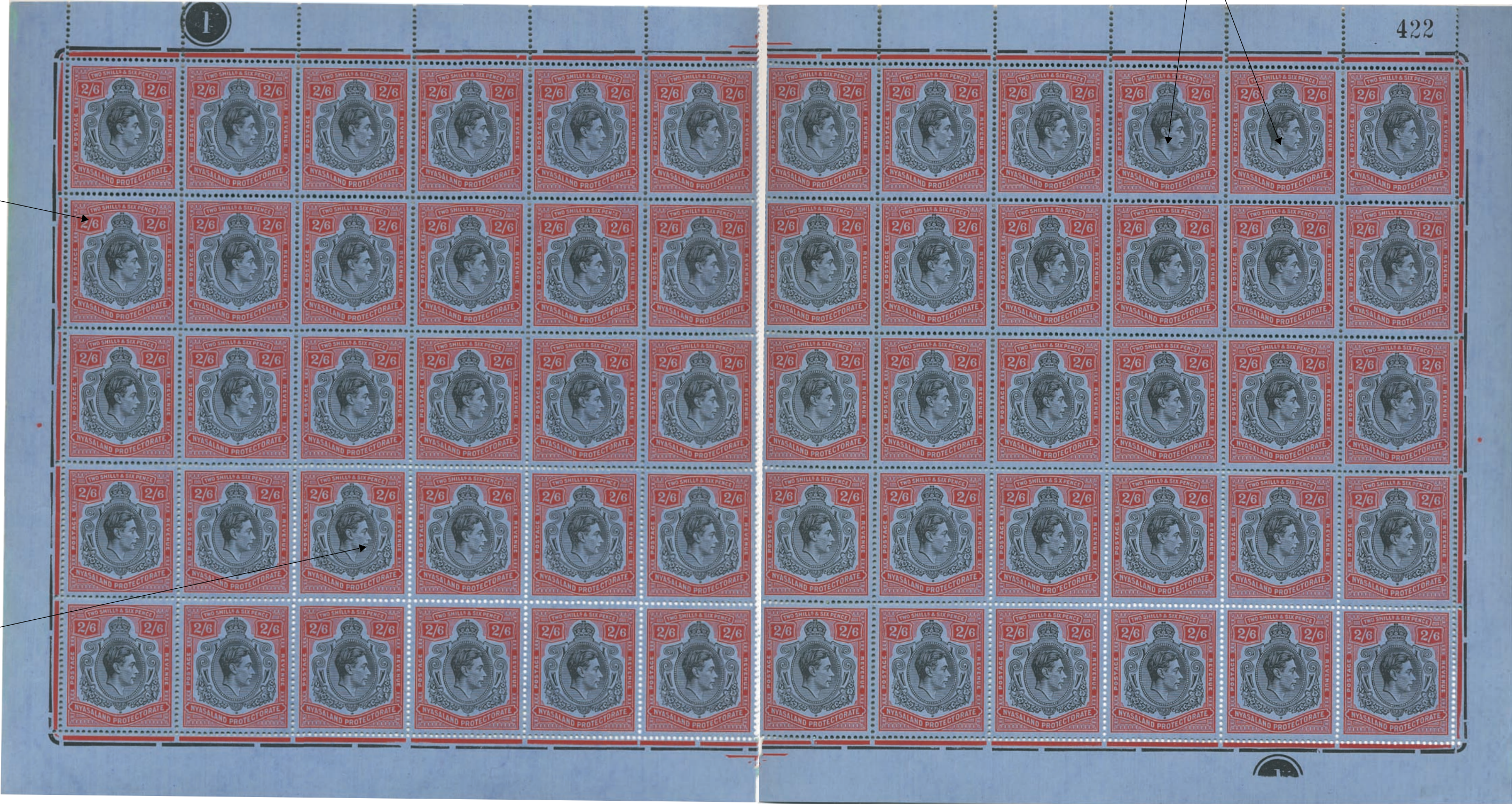
Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



Flaw 39
Break
between
leaf and
flowers



Nov 1937
Requisition: 6380/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Chalk-surfaced
Gum: Thick brownish
Quantity Printed: 810 sheets
Quantity to CA: 150 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 360 sheets dispatched 29 Nov & 2 Dec 1937
Issued: 1 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: yellow
Head: green
Frame: red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Nyasaland 5/

FF18
Scratch
through E of
PROTECTORATE



Flaw 10a/11a
Dot at neck



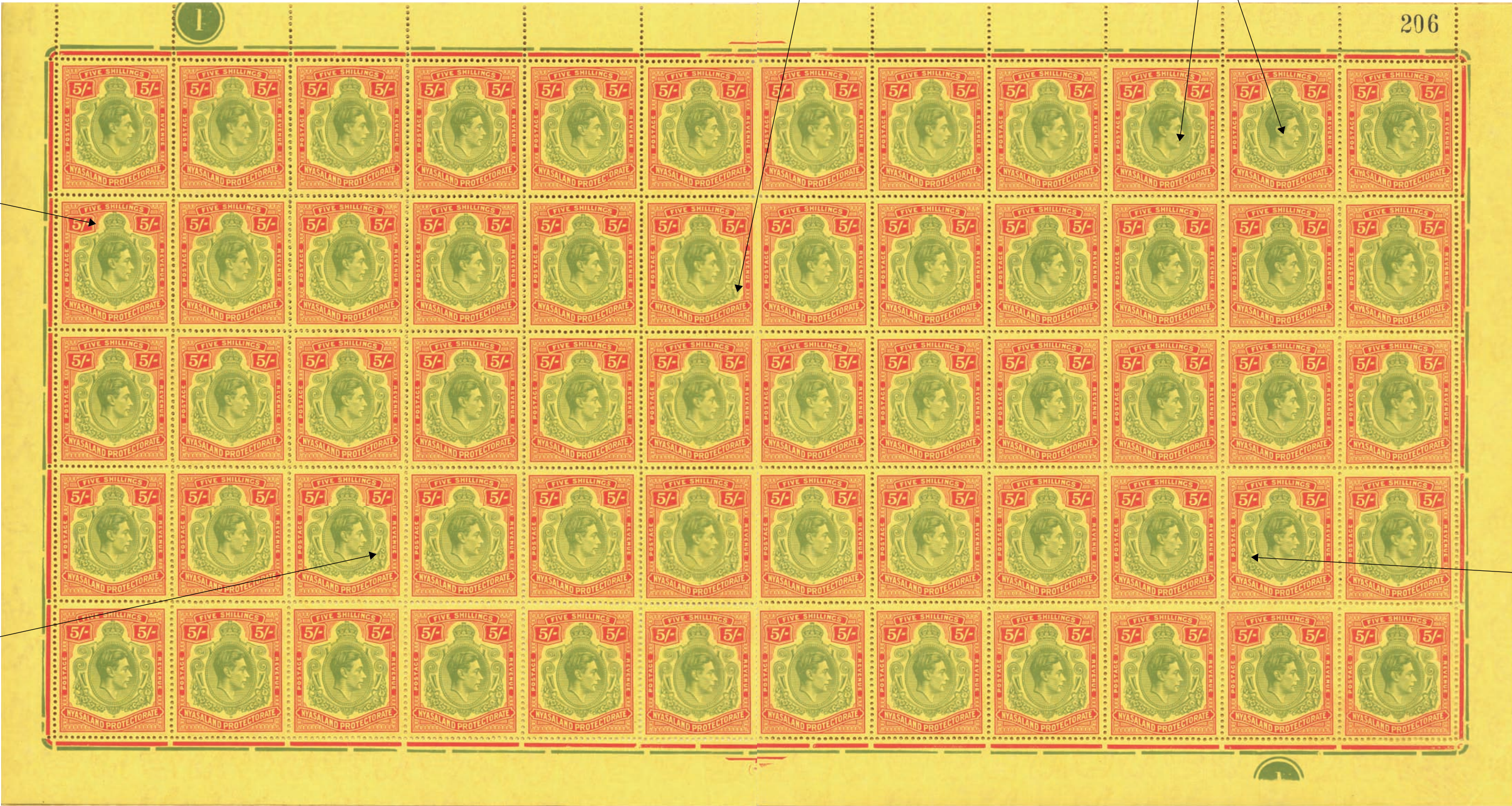
Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel



FF47
Break
below S of
POSTAGE



Flaw 39
Break
between
leaf and
flowers



Nov 1937
Requisition: 6380/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Brownish
Quantity Printed: 424 sheets
Quantity to CA: 100 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 324 sheets dispatched Jan 1938
Issued: unknown

Daylight colours
Paper: light green
Head: green
Frame: deep red

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Printings and flaws of the Nyasaland 10/ and £1

Nov 1937
Requisition: 6380/1
Perforation: 13.9x13.8 Comb
Paper: Ordinary
Gum: Thick, brownish
Quantity Printed: 537 sheets
Quantity to CA: 50 sheets
Quantity to Colony: 487 sheets dispatched 29 Nov & 2 Dec 1937
Issued: 1 Jan 1938

Daylight colours
Paper: salmon
Head: red-purple
Frame: black

Ultraviolet colours
Paper:
Head:
Frame:

Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel

Flaw 39
Break
between
leaf and
flowers

Flaw 13c
Break above
left crown
jewel

FF 41
Serif on G

Flaw 39
Break
between
leaf and
flowers

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